

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CITY OF RUTLAND  
VERMONT

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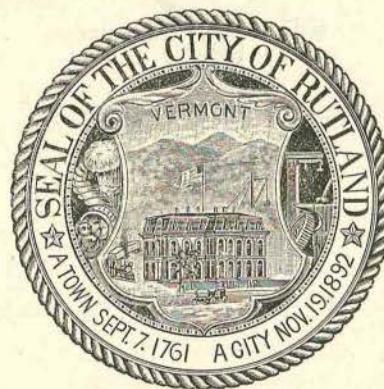
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**Annual Report**

— OF THE —

**City of Rutland,**

**Vermont,**



— FOR THE —

**Year Ending December 31st, 1897.**

# **GOVERNMENT**

— OF THE —

## **CITY OF RUTLAND.**

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### MAYOR.

HON. PERCIVAL W. CLEMENT.

Office,	Residence,
City Hall.	" Brookside."

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### **BOARD OF ALDERMEN.**

#### PRESIDENT.

NATHANIEL S. STEARNS.

Office,	Residence,
County Court House.	88 Center Street.

#### ALDERMEN.

Ward One.

MAXIME JASMIN, . . . . 146 Woodstock Avenue.

Term expires 1899.

Ward Two.

JAMES DOUGHERTY, . . . . 46 Killington Avenue.

Term expires 1898.



## Ward Three.

JOHN B. DYER, . . . . . 57 Strong's Avenue.

Term expires 1899.

## Ward Four.

NATHANIEL S. STEARNS, . . . . . 88 Center Street.

Term expires 1898.

## Ward Five.

JOHN J. PARRIS, . . . . . 60 Grove Street.

Term expires 1899.

## Ward Six.

HIRAM F. NOYES, . . . . . 27 Baxter Street.

Term expires 1898.

## Ward Seven.

THOMAS H. BROWNE, . . . . . 63 Cherry Street.

Term expires 1899.

## Ward Eight.

JOHN W. BRISLIN, . . . . . 104 South Street.

Term expires 1898.

## Ward Nine.

ALBERT L. PRATT, . . . . . 127 Holly Street.

Term expires 1899.

## Ward Ten.

JOHN J. BARRETT, . . . . . 21 Evergreen Avenue.

Term expires 1898.

## Ward Eleven.

ALVA H. PIERCE, . . . . . 147 So. Main Street.

Term expires 1899.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

OF THE

**City Council and Board of Aldermen.****For the Year ending March 31, 1898.**

## ON FINANCE.

Parris, Noyes, Barrett.

## ON STREET DEPARTMENT.

Noyes, Parris, Stearns.

## ON WATER DEPARTMENT.

Stearns, Pratt, Pierce.

## ON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Barrett, Pierce, Noyes.

## ON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Pratt, Dyer, Jasmin.

## ON LIGHTS.

Dyer, Browne, Brislin.

## ON CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

Brislin, Dougherty, Parris.

ON CITY PROPERTY,  
 Browne,            Barrett,            Dougherty.  
  
 ON LIQUOR AGENCY.  
 Pierce,            Jasmin,            Browne.  
  
 ON HEALTH.  
 Dougherty,        Stearns,        Pratt.  
  
 ON LICENSES.  
 Jasmin,            Brislin,        Dyer.

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**CITY OFFICERS.**

CITY CLERK.  
 HARRY B. WHITTIER,        Office, City Hall.  
 Residence, 30 West Street.

CITY TREASURER.  
 WILL L. DAVIS,        Office, City Hall.  
 Residence, 35 Church Street.

CITY CONSTABLE.  
 FRANK L. CLARK,        Office, City Hall.  
 Residence, 49 East Street.

JUDGE OF CITY COURT.  
 JAMES A. MERRILL,        Office, Clement Block.  
 Residence, 2 Aiken Place.

ASSISTANT JUDGE OF CITY COURT.  
 WAYNE BAILEY,        Office, County Court House.  
 Residence, 31 No. Main Street.  
  
 CITY ATTORNEY.  
 CHARLES L. HOWE,        Office, 23 Center Street.  
 Residence, 96 Church Street.  
  
 CITY ENGINEER.  
 ARTHUR C. GROVER,        Office, City Hall.  
 Residence, 59 Evergreen Avenue.  
  
 SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.  
 ARTHUR C. GROVER, Residence 59 Evergreen Ave.  
  
 SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS.  
 ARTHUR C. GROVER,        Office, 19 Grove Street.  
 Residence, 59 Evergreen Avenue.  
  
 OVERSEER OF POOR.  
 JAMES BEATTIE,        Office, City Hall.  
 Residence, City Farm, Woodstock Avenue.  
  
 CITY PHYSICIAN.  
 DR. EDWIN B. DAVIS,        Office, Quinn Building.  
 Residence, 23 Elm Street.  
  
 INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS.  
 GEORGE E. CLARK,  
 Office and Residence, 8 Washington Street.  
  
 CITY WEIGHER.  
 SAMUEL P. CURTIS,        Office, Evelyn Street.  
 Residence, 28 Grove Street.

## CITY LIQUOR AGENT.

E. H. WOOD, . . . Office, 40 Center Street.  
Residence, 50 Library Avenue.

## PURCHASING AGENT.

H. B. WHITTIER, . . . Office, City Hall.  
Residence, 30 West Street.

## CITY MESSENGER.

C. N. CHAMBERLAIN, Residence, 79 Strong's Ave.

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

DR. WILLIAM W. TOWNSEND,  
Sec'y and City Health Officer.  
Office, 35 Wales Street.

Residence, Killington Avenue.

B. F. POLLARD, MILES S. SAWYER.

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

WM. A. PATRICK, B. W. MARSHALL,  
HUGH DUFFY.

## PARK COMMISSIONERS.

THOMAS C. ROBBINS, . . . Term expires 1898.  
EDGAR B. MOORE, . . . Term expires 1899.  
CHAS. P. HARRIS, . . . Term expires 1900.

## POUND KEEPERS.

F. W. SHEDD, ANDRUS B. ENGREM.

## ASSESSORS.

JOHN N. WOODFIN, . . . Term expires 1898.  
GEORGE H. VERDER, . . . Term expires 1899.  
WALTER A. CLARK, . . . Term expires 1900.

## AUDITORS.

CHAS. H. WEST, JOHN R. BATES,  
GEO. C. McCLOY.

## DRAIN LAYERS.

GEO. F. BROWN, . . . Residence, 16 Nichols Street.  
W. W. YOUNG, Residence, 17 Engrem Avenue.

## COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND.

GEO. R. BOTTUM, . . . Term expires 1898.  
JOHN A. MEAD, . . . Term expires 1899.  
WM. Y. W. RIPLEY, . . . Term expires 1900.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

## CHIEF.

NATHANIEL S. STEARNS, Office, C'nty Court House.  
Residence, 88 Center Street.

## PATROLMEN.

JOSEPH MERCIER, EDW. M. KNOX,  
JOHN P. CLIFFORD.

## SPECIAL POLICEMEN.

John W. Blanchard, David R. Candlish,  
John H. Grimes, Bartley Costello,  
Maxime Valiquette, Harrie A. Amsden,  
Thomas M. Buckley, Noah Larose,

Patrick McDonald,  
 Martin Kennedy,  
 Frank Mangan,  
 Edson H. Dunton,  
 Tab Geno,  
 Wm. E. Gleason,  
 James C. Lynch,  
 Charles W. McGuirk,  
 James T. Callahan,  
 John W. Brislin,  
 Chas. H. Bourgeois.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT.****CHIEF.**

KINGSLEY K. HANNUM, Office, Central Fire Station.  
 Residence, Berwick House.

First Assistant, . . . . . GEORGE W. DUNTON.  
 Second Assistant, . . . . . JOHN J. CATEN.  
 Third Assistant, . . . . . JAMES E. CREED.  
 Fire Marshal, . . . . . CHARLES L. ROBINSON.  
 Superintendent of Fire Alarm, . . . R. D. BEALS.

**FIREMEN.**

Daniel A. Cocklin,  
 John F. Corey,  
 George W. Farr,  
 Alick M. Keefe,  
 Frank H. Wood,

Nelson A. Malmgren,  
 James McIvor,  
 George W. Morse,  
 John J. O'Brien,  
 Albert S. Phillips,

Walter W. Maranville, Elbridge H. Wood,  
 Charles E. McDermott, William W. Goodrich.  
 John O'Brien, Albro L. Frost.  
 Chas. W. Pennington, Henry A. Barrett,  
 Merrill J. Coates, R. D. Beals.

**BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.****PRESIDENT.**

EGBERT C. TUTTLE, Residence, 2 Nickwackett St.

**CLERK.**

CHARLES W. MUSSEY, Residence, 51 Chestnut Ave.

**COMMISSIONERS.**

Ward One.  
 GEORGE T. CHAFFEE, . . . Term expires 1900.  
 Residence, 16 So. Main Street.

Ward Two.  
 FRANKLIN D. WHITE, . . . Term expires 1898.  
 Residence, 33 So. Main Street.

Ward Three.  
 FRED C. ATHERTON, . . . Term expires 1900.  
 Residence, 28 Madison Street.

## Ward Four.

EGBERT C. TUTTLE, . . . Term expires 1898.  
Residence, 2 Nickwackett Street.

## Ward Five.

CHARLES A. GALE, . . . Term expires 1899.  
Residence, 43 West Street.

## Ward Six.

HENRY A. HARMAN, . . . Term expires 1898.  
Residence, 137 Grove Street.

## Ward Seven.

WALTER C. LANDON, . . . Term expires 1899.  
Residence, 43 Grove Street.

## Ward Eight.

MICHAEL R. WELCH, . . . Term expires 1900.  
Residence, 102 Forest Street.

## Ward Nine.

HENRY O. EDSON, . . . Term expires 1898.  
Residence, 113 Church Street.

## Ward Ten.

JOHN HULIHAN, . . . Term expires 1900.  
Residence, 447 West Street.

## Ward Eleven.

WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, . . . Term expires 1899.  
Residence 117 Gibson Avenue.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

W. A. FRASIER, . . . Residence, Bardwell House.

## TRUANT OFFICERS.

FRANK L. CLARK, . . . Residence, 49 East Street.  
JOHN W. BRISLIN, . . . Residence, 104 South Street.

**WARD OFFICERS.**

## Ward One.

Clerk, Willard W. Eggleston.  
Inspectors, Chas. H. Weed, Wayne Bailey, Fayette Vaughan.

Ballot Clerks, J. E. Creed, T. E. Howley, M. E. Vail, B. C. Grower.

## Ward Two.

Clerk, Horace C. Otis.  
Inspectors, H. F. Grout, James M. Walsh, Charles D. Eastman.

Ballot Clerks, T. D. Shaw, F. W. Warren, M. Sweeney, W. L. Dyer.

## Ward Three.

Clerk, Earle D. Wickham.  
Inspectors, Thomas P. Bragg, Matthew Hussey, Joseph F. Cronan.  
Ballot Clerks, Wm. Taylor, Chas. H. Dyer, P. A. Caten, Jos. Webster.

Ward Four.  
 Clerk, Winthrop L. Davis.  
 Inspectors, Timothy Sweeney, C. M. Reedy, A. R. Mairs.  
 Ballot Clerks, Geo. W. Eaton, Rollo J. Francisco, Wm. M. Stearns.

## Ward Five.

Clerk, John R. Bates.  
 Inspectors, Charles M. Lyman, H. Clinton Carpenter, Jr., Edgar B. Moore.  
 Ballot Clerks, W. M. Ross, Jas. Carruthers, John Pennington, Geo. H. Verder.

## Ward Six.

Clerk, Frank O. Dunton.  
 Inspectors, W. W. Smith, Raymond D. Beals, John Gilman.  
 Ballot Clerks, Louis Latimore, H. C. Scoville, Austin Brothers, C. W. Pennington.

## Ward Seven.

Clerk, P. F. McManus.  
 Inspectors, Edward Higgins, Walter C. Landon, Philip J. Crosby.  
 Ballot Clerks, E. R. Green, Jas. Sheridan, Henry Barrett, Wallace Ross.

## Ward Eight.

Clerk, M. G. McCormack.  
 Inspectors, Martin J. Kennedy, Maglorie Du- charme, Geo. H. Martin.  
 Ballot Clerks, P. Foster, Chas. Young, A. P. Huff- mire, Wm. Minett.

Ward Nine.  
 Clerk, Henry C. Farrar.  
 Inspectors, Benjamin F. Dunklee, Jewett P. Cain, W. Scott Lillie.  
 Ballot Clerks, J. G. Felt, J. M. Winn, Albert Matthews, W. W. Carey.

## Ward Ten.

Clerk, John P. Clifford.  
 Inspectors, Patrick A. Carroll, A. J. Courselle, Terrence Larkin.  
 Ballot Clerks, L. G. Germond, H. C. Watkins, F. P. Billings, Thos. Moroney.

## Ward Eleven.

Clerk, Jas. W. McIntyre.  
 Inspectors, Benj. F. Jones, J. Ormsby Hewitt, John J. Hickey.  
 Ballot Clerks, J. D. Dominy, F. B. Wilson, J. J. McNamara, Wm. Hickey.

## REPORT OF

**THE MAYOR.**

*To the Citizens and Taxpayers of Rutland :—*

The present administration assumed office under a promise that, whatever else might happen, the city debt would not be increased. Through the co-operation of the Board of Aldermen the functions of the various departments of city business have been so unified the past year that we have been able to keep our promise to the public. The old rate of tax, 150 cents on a dollar of the grand list, I am glad to say, has not been increased, nor has this rate been maintained at the expense of the character or quantity of city improvements. The municipal debt has been reduced over \$17,000. There has been \$8,500 deposited with the Sinking Fund Commission, and this with an increase of \$5,000 to the school board over the figure of 1896. The market price has been paid for both material and labor, and no more, and the usual economies of co-operation in the various departments have been realized. No obligations during the year 1897, so far as I know, are left for our successors to meet.

## FINANCES.

Following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1897:

## RECEIPTS.

Taxes received by the Treasurer, . . .	\$118,034 18
F. L. Clark, Collector, 1894, 95, 96, 97 taxes, . . . .	12,802 02
M. G. McCormack, Col- lector, 1893 taxes.	13 50
Water, . . . .	25,664 90
State Treasurer, . . .	267 47
Crushed stone, etc., .	89 36
Sewer assessments, .	240 15
Sale of tools and pipe to Moon Brook sewer,	1,503 99
American Surety Co.,	660 30
Judge Merrill, city court,	441 01
Rents, licenses, etc., .	1,030 05
James Beattie, . . .	401 27
Sidewalk assessments, .	528 12
Dog fund, . . . .	411 80
K. K. Hannum, fire ac- count, . . . .	210 55
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	\$ 162,298 67
Liquor, . . . .	\$ 8,600 00
Interest credited to Bond account, . . . .	520 40
Interest and cash received from State Treas- urer, . . . .	4,145 13

Interest credited to Moon Brook account, . . .	\$ 350 00
Interest credited to Sinking Fund, . . . . .	343 00
Temporary loan warrants, 60,000 00	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1897:	
Sinking Fund, \$ 9,119 57	
Moon Brook	
sewer, . . 25,116 31	
Bond account, 12,260 96	
Schools, . . 3,657 92	
General, . . 10,690 96 60,845 72	
	\$ 134,804 25
Total, . . . . .	\$ 297,102 92

## EXPENDITURES.

Streets, . . . . .	\$ 17,014 76
Sewers, . . . . .	4,504 28
Police, . . . . .	2,725 55
Fire, . . . . .	7,017 74
Lights, . . . . .	13,114 92
General, . . . . .	27,264 09
Water, . . . . .	6,078 24
Water Extension, . . . .	701 24
Poor, . . . . .	7,828 65
Sidewalks, . . . . .	240 64
Salaries, . . . . .	3,749 22
Schools, . . . . .	35,000 00
Sinking Fund, . . . . .	8,500 00
Interest, . . . . .	23,479 29
	\$ 157,218 62
Liquor, . . . . .	\$ 7,438 32
Temporary loan warrants, 70,000 00	

Moon Brook sewer, . . .	\$ 13,448 41
School building, . . .	10,814 06
Schools, . . . . .	1,964 37
Sinking fund, exclusive of 1897 appropriation, transferred from City Treasurer to Commissioners of Sinking fund, . . . . .	9,462 57
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1897:	
Moon Brook	
sewer, . . \$ 12,017 90	
Schools, . . 5,838 68	
School building, . . 1,967 30	
General, . . 6,932 69	
	26,756 57

\$ 139,884 30  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\$ 297,102 92

In my opinion the present rate of taxation, 150 cents on a dollar of the grand list, should be maintained another year; but within two years, if our present method of administration is continued, the tax rate can be reduced to 130 cents on a dollar of the grand list without limiting in any material degree our system of public improvements or imperiling the plans for the payment of the bonds of the city as they mature.

The Treasurers' reports show that the city government has received and expended during the last three years previous to the fiscal year of this

report, from Jan. 1, 1894, to Jan. 1, 1897, \$773,-199.97, making an average per annum of \$257,-733.33.

Of this amount \$526,934.74 has been received from tax levies, water rents, assessments, premium on bonds, and the usual sources of income, and \$246,265.23 has been received from the sale of city bonds and represents an increase in the indebtedness of the city by that amount. As appears by the annual reports the city debt

On Jan. 1, 1897, was . . .	\$556,576 01
On Jan. 1, 1894, was . . .	310,310 78

Showing an increase during  
that period of . . . . \$246,265 23

The reports of former administrations have sought to account for the expenditure of this large amount of money, and I will not take your time by consideration of that question.

Upon assuming the duties of the office of Mayor, March 8, 1897, I found that the city was owing, in addition to the bonded debt which I have above referred to, a temporary loan warrant of . . . . . \$ 20,000 00 and also to the Moon Brook sewer account, . . . . . 3,633 76

It became necessary, therefore, to borrow money upon temporary loan warrants to meet the expenses of the city for the current year. The city required \$70,000 for schools, streets, sewers and current expenses, being about \$10,000 more than the city could legally issue in temporary loan warrants. For this \$10,000 the members of the Finance Committee and I became personally re-

sponsible, and all of these temporary loan warrants were paid from the receipt of taxes October 1st.

Your Finance Committee, Messrs. Geo. E. Royce, H. A. Sawyer and H. F. Noyes, in its report for the year ending December 31, 1896, commenting upon the situation and the requirements of the city for the year 1897, said: "The increase in the appropriations recommended is due to the increased interest account, the extra appropriation for schools and the increase in the amount of state tax to be paid. There is also an overdraft caused by the extra appropriations made at the close of the present year." \* \* \* \* "If this increased expense is to be met by taxation, it will be necessary to raise the rate to seventeen dollars and fifty cents per thousand (175 cents on a dollar of the grand list). We think it is evident that for the coming year at least, an increased tax rate is necessary. It can be obviated in the future only by a reduction of the fixed expenses or by an increased grand list."

This recommendation coming from men of such character demanded and received the serious consideration of the Council. It was evident that the city could not hope for a different result from that prophesied by that Committee unless it could be brought about by an entire change in the methods of expenditure of city money and the management of its affairs.

#### NEW METHODS.

The city Council on April 8, 1897, changed the ordinances and the difference in the result of municipal administration for the past year is largely due to these changes.

Under the old ordinances each of the standing committees of the Board of Aldermen was practically an executive branch of the city government and operated the business of the department under its charge as an independent bureau.

Under the new ordinances the Mayor becomes, as he is designated in the charter, the executive head of the city government, and all heads of departments are responsible directly to the Mayor and through him to the City Council.

The new ordinances provide for the appointment of a Purchasing Agent who practically contracts for all of the city supplies. In making this change the same methods were adopted which prevail in all well regulated business enterprises where large amounts of money are involved. It must be apparent that a corporation which permits its Directors, General Superintendent, Chief Engineer, Foreman and other officers to make purchases of supplies as each sees fit, without reference to the condition of the Treasury or to the necessities of other departments, would soon come to grief, and yet that is exactly what the City of Rutland has been doing.

Under the old ordinances there were eleven standing committees and each chairman of a committee carried with him a requisition book with which he in effect drew orders on the City Treasury as the occasion seemed to demand. The enormous expenditures in past years were largely due to this system. I am not intending to criticise in any manner the ability or good faith of former city officials; merely trying to show the faults in the methods which have heretofore prevailed and contrast them with the plan which the present City Council has inaugurated. It would be impossible

to operate business successfully under the old system. It is not claimed that the present system is perfect, but it is an improvement on what preceded it, as results of the last nine months' operations demonstrate.

The establishment of the Purchasing Agency does not conflict with the ordinance requiring the publication of the wants of the city with reference to bids for the furnishing of material exceeding in value \$200. That ordinance, so far as I know, has been faithfully observed.

The City Council appointed the City Engineer Superintendent of Streets and also Superintendent of Waterworks, thus placing three departments under one head. This change coupled with reductions in the salary lists of these offices alone has resulted in an annual saving to the city of about \$5,000, and that without impairing the efficiency of the service in any of the three departments. These departments of water, streets and sewers must perform work harmoniously. In cities where these branches of work are operated as independent bureaus it frequently happens that after a street has been accorded needed repairs it is soon torn up for the purpose of laying sewers or water mains, all of which is done at increased and unnecessary expense; whereas under the system which has been adopted in Rutland such a waste of money cannot occur.

#### HIGHWAYS AND SEWERS.

Our highways have usually been repaired in the spring and summer and left with little or no attention until the next year. Flowing water works more harm than travel. This year the city has been divided into sections in each of which a

man has been employed whose duties were to keep the waterways clear and make minor repairs as required, thus saving the city the cost of more expensive ones.

I have recommended that Merchants Row and Center street be repaired early in the spring in order that the city may have the benefit of a good roadway on these thoroughfares during the summer months, as will be seen by referring to the report of Superintendent of Streets.

Over nine thousand yards of crushed stone have been taken away from the stone crusher during the year. It is estimated that the cost to the city of a yard of crushed stone is thirty-five cents. If a conveyor should be installed at the stone quarry adapted to the carrying of stone from the points where taken to the crusher, a very large saving would be made and the cost of producing the stone would be reduced to twenty-five cents per yard. The saving would be sufficient to warrant the expenditure.

The city must use yearly a great quantity of gravel and sand in the construction of sewers and streets, even if the plan is continued of macadamizing all thoroughfares requiring permanent improvement. At the present time the city is paying from fifteen to twenty-five cents a load for such material at the pit. It would be an economy to buy a gravel pit somewhere in the western part of the city to supply the western half, and I believe that with very little expense one can be opened on the Poor Farm adequate to the needs of the eastern half of the city.

The City Engineer gives a detailed statement of the location and extent of sewer work which has been done during the past year.

The Moon Brook sewer perhaps requires a word of comment. The fund for its construction was provided by the sale of bonds authorized at the March election, 1896, amounting to \$25,000. During the year 1896 there was considerable discussion in regard to the best way of construction, many people thinking that the work should be done by day labor on the part of the City, and others that the work should be done by contract. A contract was, in fact, approved by the Board of Aldermen September 21, 1896, by which the city would have paid \$24,250, but the resolution authorizing the contract was vetoed by the then Mayor.

The early spring and summer proved so wet that it was inexpedient to begin the construction of the sewer until September 22, 1897. I felt sure that under careful management the sewer could be constructed for less than the amount called for in the contract, and therefore authorized the work to proceed under the direction of the City Engineer by day labor. The plans which had been prepared by the former City Engineer were somewhat modified, and a resolution adopting such plans as modified was approved July 20, 1897. The work was begun September 22d, and although delayed by bad weather, was finally completed on December 22, 1897. As completed, I understand from the City Engineer and the Foreman of the construction gang, both of whom have had experience in sewer building, it is a model both in the quality of the material used and in the manner of construction. The capacity of the sewer, as stated by the Engineer, is equal to the requirements of 15,000 people, probably more than will have occasion to make use of it during the next thirty years.

The sewer fund of . . . \$25,000 00  
 was increased at the begin-  
 ning by the premium on  
 the bonds amounting to 1,725 00

Total . . . . . \$26,725 00

During the year 1896 there  
 was charged against the  
 fund . . . . . \$1,608 69

presumably for work in the City En-  
 gineer's office, as no actual work  
 was done on the sewer, leaving the  
 amount of the fund at the begin-  
 ning of 1897 . . . . . \$25,116 31

The Treasurer has increased this  
 amount by placing it at interest  
 during a part of the year by . . . 350 00

Total . . . . . \$25,466 31

The total cost of construc-  
 tion, material and labor  
 was . . . . . \$13,448 41

This item includes  
\$1,503.99, which is the  
value of broken stone,  
tools and other material  
furnished by other de-  
partments of the city  
government.

There is now left to the  
credit of the Moon Brook  
Sewer account, "to be  
appropriated for other  
new sewer construction," \$12,017 90

Total . . . . . \$25,466 31

## WATER.

The report of the Superintendent of Water Works considers the abandonment of the reservoir on Woodstock Avenue. This measure has been recommended by former committees, and inasmuch as the reservoir is not in use, has not been for years and never will be, it seems to me a proper measure to adopt from an economical as well as from a sanitary standpoint.

Permanent improvements upon the streets, sewers, or in the water department have been authorized by the City Council before work has been begun. This measure is an improvement on that which has followed heretofore, inasmuch as it leaves the apportionment of the work which is to be done in the different parts of the City to the judgment of the whole Board rather than to the whim or caprice of the Mayor, the Superintendent of Streets or the Street Committee.

## LIQUOR AGENCY.

At the beginning of this administration there was a large amount of liquor on hand which was below proof, some of it adulterated and unfit for use. I made a purchase of fifteen barrels of whiskey manufactured by an old and well-known distillery. This whiskey was distilled in 1889, and was in a bonded-warehouse when the city purchased it and was thence shipped directly to our agent. The city was thus enabled to procure absolutely pure and unadulterated liquor, and that too at a moderate price. The result has been apparent in the decreased sales of other liquors, particularly alcohol.

## LIBRARY.

Beginning in the year 1888 and continuing to 1897 there has been a large sum of money appropriated to the use of the Rutland Free Library Association. The amount so appropriated in the aggregate is, \$22,687.88. In March, 1889, the Library Association moved into Memorial Hall building and has since had the free use of the same. It has also been heated and lighted at municipal expense. On Feb. 1, 1897, the Board of Aldermen, following the custom of former Boards, appropriated \$3,000 for the Rutland Free Library. The payment of this appropriation has usually been made in the fall. In the effort to reduce city expenses and keep within the \$1.50 tax it seemed proper that this appropriation should be curtailed to \$1,500 at least for a year, and until the City could demonstrate its ability to maintain municipal government without increasing its tax levy or funded debt. With that object in view the question was referred to the City Attorney whether the appropriation having been already passed by a former Board we could with propriety reduce it, or whether it was my duty, inasmuch as the appropriation had been made, to make the full payment. The City Attorney gave his opinion that the appropriation, inasmuch as it was made to a private corporation, was illegal. The statute expressly fixes the way money may be paid from the Public Treasury in support of Public Libraries, and although a charter had been granted by the Legislature in 1886, to the Rutland Soldiers' Memorial Hall Library Association, that it might take over the books, etc., of the Rutland Free Library Association, no organization under that charter had been effected.

A resolution of the Board of Aldermen providing for the issuing of a warrant to the Rutland Free Library Association was passed Dec. 6, 1897, and for the reasons above stated I felt obliged to disapprove of it. On Dec. 30, 1897, the Rutland Soldiers' Memorial Hall Library Association was organized, and on Jan. 3, 1898, a resolution was introduced into the Board of Aldermen, appropriating \$1,500 in aid of the Rutland Soldiers' Memorial Hall Library Association. Inasmuch as that Association by a special charter is empowered to receive money from the City, payment to it when it has complied with the general law relative to such institutions, would be valid. Before the resolution had passed to its second reading the Library Association requested that it be dismissed upon the ground that it preferred to go to the voters on a question of whether the amount of the appropriation shall be \$3,000, rather than to accept the \$1,500 which the city offered.

Although the Library has received municipal aid to the extent indicated, and although according to the report of the Librarian issued in 1897 the Library contains 10,000 volumes, the City of Rutland has no claim upon a single book or anything connected with the institution. It is just this condition of things which the Legislature has in its wisdom undertaken to prevent. If the Free Library is to be conducted as a private corporation, well and good. We, as citizens, shall be proud of it and glad to assist in its maintenance, but if it is to be conducted as a Public Free Library and receive its main support from the City Treasury, it must conduct its affairs so as to come within the state law relative to such institutions, and the books which the city buys and pays for must be owned and controlled by the city beyond question.

## POLICE.

There has been a reduction in the annual expense of the Police Department of more than \$2.500. This is occasioned largely by reducing the force from six to three patrolmen, yet I believe the city has been well protected, and a reference to the statistical report of the Chief of Police will show that there has been fewer crimes and misdemeanors than in former years. I am unable, therefore, to agree with him in his recommendation for an increase in the number of regular patrolmen. Three patrolmen, together with twenty-nine special policemen scattered all over the city, seem to be sufficient protection to lives and property.

## FIRES.

The city has been remarkably free from fires during the past year. The report of the Chief of the Fire Department fully shows the number and extent.

The efforts of the Fire Marshal to discover the cause of fires and apply remedies therefor, together with the efficient service of the Fire Department are reflected in the substantial reduction in the rates of fire insurance.

## HOSPITAL.

At the last annual election a notice was inserted in the warning to see if the voters would direct an appropriation for the hospital. This was refused by a vote of 664 to 374. A resolution was introduced at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen Nov. 15, 1897, to appropriate \$349.85 to the use of the hospital. In the face of the direct vote of the

city I felt obliged to disapprove of the resolution, although I felt, and still feel, the object to be a worthy one, and also feel that if the matter is again brought before the voters with proper explanation the hospital will receive the assistance it certainly deserves.

## SUPPORT OF THE POOR.

The cost of supporting the poor in 1897 was \$1,393.97 less than in 1896. Many people seem to think it the duty of the city to contribute in a greater or less degree to the support of all of that great army of the impecunious and improvident. Such is not the case. The requirements of towns and cities and the duties of the Overseer of the Poor are strictly defined in the general statute. I soon discovered that our Overseer well understood his duties and the obligations of the city. The reduction in his account is due to the fact that he was not interfered with in the performance of his duties. To what extent it is advisable for the city to contribute to the support of what is known as the "out door" poor is a mooted question. There is no doubt but that ill-advised contributions increase pauperism and invite raids on the treasury. We have in Rutland a family which has been assisted by the town for more than twenty-five years, whose children have grown up paupers, and whose grandchildren are to-day supported in part at public expense. Every dollar which is given to those who are undeserving is really taken away from those who are worthy. I have personally investigated many appeals for aid which have been brought to my attention, and in every instance I have concluded that the Overseer of the Poor has used good judgment and has done his whole duty.

The house at the poor farm is equipped to care for a much larger number than it has had during the past year, and those who have been there have been kindly treated.

#### SINKING FUND.

The charter provides for the creation of a sinking fund for the redemption of the bonded debt of the city. Under chapter VIII of the ordinances of 1893 there had been a Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners appointed, and although the report of December 31, 1896, shows that during the four years the receipts by said Commission amounted to \$35,124.01, yet the balance remaining in the hands of the Commission upon that date was only \$9,119.57, the difference being accounted for by the fact that the Commission invested the sinking fund in Rutland town bonds and village water bonds which were due by election, or due absolutely, and which were cancelled, to the amount of \$26,004.44. It is contended that such an investment is not a proper one for a sinking fund, although as a matter of fact it has occasioned no loss to the city; but the fact is that instead of having a live and interest bearing fund of \$35,124.01 the city had only \$9,119.57, and such financing must, in a short time, have a bad effect upon the price of our bonds in the market whenever the city is obliged to again borrow money for refunding or other purposes we shall surely have to pay a larger rate of interest unless the sinking fund is carefully guarded and increased year by year. Cancelled bonds due in 1896 are not a proper asset in a sinking fund created to meet bonds due in 1924, '25, '26. The cash and assets of the sinking fund have been held by the City Treasurer and from time to time appeared in his

statement of cash on hand. By the new ordinances the fund is transferred to the Sinking Fund Commission, which has charge of and assumes responsibility therefor.

This transfer, amounting to \$9,119.57, has been made and a warrant has been drawn to the order of the Commission for the payment of 1897, so that the Sinking Fund Commission now has in its possession \$17,962.57 which is a guarantee, to be increased year by year, for the payment of our funded debt.

#### SIDEWALKS.

The amount, \$240.64, charged to sidewalks does not represent any work done during the year 1897. It is a bill for concrete sidewalk which was laid in 1896 and paid for before my term of office began. The work which has been done upon sidewalks this year and the cost of it is noted in the report of the Superintendent of Streets and has been charged to the Street Account.

#### SCHOOLS.

Under the general law the School Board has the right to call upon the municipal government for an appropriation equal to fifty per cent. of the total grand list for the support of schools during the year. On January 18, 1897, the School Board called upon the city for \$35,000, \$5,000 more than it had called for in the year 1896. In this city the School Board commences its fiscal year July 1st. The money which it receives is properly due upon the receipt of taxes in October, and should be sufficient to maintain the schools during the school fiscal year ending the next June. On January 18, 1897, the School Board made its request, and inas-

much as the School Board was out of money where-with to pay its current expenses, the city was obliged to borrow and advance the funds in April to pay the expenses which it had already advanced money to pay October previous.

#### INTEREST.

The amount of interest paid by the city for the past year was . . . . .	\$23,479 29
By the report for the year 1893 the in- terest charge paid by the city was	<u>4,852 36</u>

An increase in this fixed charge in three years of . . . . .	\$18,626 93
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although the rate of interest on the city debt is much lower on the present debt than it was in 1893. This is a fixed annual charge and will always remain such until the debt itself is paid. As repeatedly suggested, I believe that this enormous burden was put upon the taxpayers very largely because of loose business methods. I believe that under the present system no such running into debt would be possible without alarming every citizen interested in Rutland and impelling him to act in a way to check the evil.

#### LIGHTS.

The expense of lighting the streets from January 1st, to December 31, 1897, was \$13,114.92. At this rate the city will pay during its five years contract, \$65,574.60. The number of lights furnished has increased from year to year, and at the present time the city has 113 lights, 80 of which burn until 1 o'clock and 33 burn all night.

The cost of a 200 horse-power engine and the necessary boiler equipment complete will be

\$10,000; the cost of three sixty-light dynamos installed, \$6,000; the cost of thirty miles of electric lighting wires and poles in place, \$12,000, making a light station complete for continuous lighting of 150 lights less than \$30,000; the expense of maintaining and operating such a plant, \$6,000.

If the plant were installed and owned by the city, in four years at the rate at which we are at present paying for lights the whole plant will be paid for. At the end of four years it will not have cost the city as much as it will cost to hire lights on the present basis.

#### COLLECTION OF TAXES.

There is remaining uncollected from the tax levy of

1894, . . . . .	\$1,084 69
1895, . . . . .	1,517 38
1896, . . . . .	823 10
1897, . . . . .	7,767 50

Total, . . . . .	\$11,192 67
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Every dollar of tax put into the hands of McCormack, collector, has been collected and turned into the Treasury, except such taxes as were abated for cause. Mr. Clark, during the past year, has been before the Board for the Abatement of Taxes three times and each time the Board abated such taxes as were levied in error. I call special attention to the very large amount of taxes in his hands uncollected.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

During nine months of the past year under the present methods, the city has saved and paid on

its debt more than \$17,000, or twenty per cent. on the grand list, and has at the same time done as much or more work by way of public improvement as in past years. We are still, however, owing a temporary loan warrant of \$10,000, a part of our legacy from 1896. In order to pay this and furnish money sufficient for schools and necessary city improvements, I think that a tax of 150 cents on a dollar of the grand list will be needed, but after the year 1898, with careful management, the city tax based upon the amount of the present grand list should be decreased to 130 cents on a dollar of the grand list. That sum thus raised, properly and economically expended in the different wards of the city, will pay our interest and at the same time reduce each year the interest charge; it will maintain our schools at the present rate of expenditure, and it will build some permanent roadway and extend our sewer system year by year.

Following will be found the reports of the Treasurer, Finance Committee, Overseer of the Poor and other city officials.

PERCIVAL W. CLEMENT,  
Mayor.

#### REPORT OF THE

## CITY TREASURER.

*To the Honorable City Council:*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the City Ordinances I have the honor to submit the report of the City Treasurer for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1897:

#### RECEIPTS.

Taxes received by the Treasurer.....	\$118,034 18
F. L. Clark, Collector, 1894-95-96-97, taxes	12,802 02
M. G. McCormack, Collector, 1893, taxes	13 50
Water.....	25,664 90
State Treasurer.....	267 47
Crushed stone, etc.....	89 36
Sewer assessments.....	240 15
Sale of tools and pipe to Moon Brook sewer.....	1,503 99
American Surety Company.....	660 30
Judge Merrill, City Court.....	441 01
Rents, licenses, etc.....	1,030 05
James Beattie.....	401 27
Sidewalk assessments.....	528 12
Dog fund.....	411 80
K. K. Hannum, fire account.....	210 55
	\$162,298 67
Liquor.....	\$ 8,600 00
Interest credited to school bond account	520 40
Interest and cash received from State Treasurer.....	4,145 18
Interest credited to Moon Brook account	350 00
Interest credited to sinking fund.....	343 00
Temporary loan warrants.....	60,000 00

Cash on hand January 1, 1897.	
Sinking fund.....	\$ 9,119 57
Moon Brook.....	25,116 31
Bond account.....	12,260 96
Schools.....	3,657 92
General.....	10,690 96
	<u>60,845 72]</u>
	<u>\$134,804 25</u>
	<u>\$297,102 92</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Streets.....	\$17,014 76
Sewers.....	4,504 28
Police.....	2,725 55
Fire.....	7,017 74
Lights.....	13,114 92
General.....	27,264 09
Water.....	6,078 24
Water extension.....	701 24
Poor.....	7,828 65
Sidewalks.....	240 64
Salaries.....	3,749 22
Schools.....	35,000 00
Sinking fund.....	8,500 00
Interest .....	23,479 29
	<u>\$157,218 62</u>

Liquor .....	\$ 7,438 32
Temporary loan warrants.....	70,000 00
Moon Brook.....	13,448 41
School Building.....	10,814 06
Schools.....	1,964 37
Sinking fund exclusive of 1897 appropriation, transferred from City Treasurer to Commissioners of sinking fund....	9,462 57

Cash on hand December 31, 1897:

Moon Brook.....	\$12,017 90
Schools.....	5,838 68
School Building.....	1,967 30
General.....	6,932 69
	<u>26,756 57</u>
	<u>\$139,884 30</u>
	<u>\$297,102 92</u>

The appropriations, the amounts received and credited, and the transfers made to the several accounts on the books of this department appear in the following statement:

## CITY OF RUTLAND.

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## APPROPRIATIONS OF 1897.

Streets.....	\$17,000 00
Sewers.....	4,000 00
Sidewalks .....	1,000 00
Lights.....	12,500 00
Fire.....	7,500 00
Charities and Corrections .....	8,500 00
Library .....	3,000 00
Police .....	4,000 00
Salaries .....	4,000 00
Interest .....	20,000 00
Schools .....	35,000 00
Sinking fund.....	8,500 00
General .....	15,000 00
	<u>\$140,000 00</u>

## CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

Appropriations.....	\$ 8,500 00
James Beattie.....	401 27
Transferred to General Account.....	\$1,072 62
Paid City warrants.....	7,828 65
	<u>\$8,901 27</u>
	<u>\$8,901 27</u>

## DOG FUND.

H. B. Whittier, City Clerk.....	\$411 80
Transferred to General Account .....	\$411 80
	<u>\$411 80</u>
	<u>\$411 80</u>
	<u>\$411 80</u>

## FIRE.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 49 77
Appropriation.....	7,500 00
K. K. Hannum.....	60 55
From Street account .....	150 00
Paid city warrants .....	\$7,017 74
Transferred to General Account.....	742 58
	<u>\$7,760 32</u>
	<u>\$7,760 32</u>

## GENERAL.

Appropriation .....	\$15,000 00
J. A. Merrill, Judge.....	441 01
Rents, Licenses, etc.....	1,030 05
American Surety Company (on Bianco & Grimaldi Bond).....	660 30

Sale of tools and pipe to Moon Brook	
Sewer.....	\$ 1,503 99
Transferred from street account.....	342 07
Transferred from police account.....	1,274 45
Transferred from fire account.....	742 58
Transferred from poor account.....	1,072 62
Transferred from sidewalk account.....	1,287 48
Transferred from salaries account.....	284 48
Transferred from dog fund account .....	411 80
Transferred from library account.....	3,000 00
Transferred from water account.....	213 26
Paid city warrants.....	\$27,264 09
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	\$27,264 09 \$27,264 09

## INTEREST.

Appropriation.....	\$20,000 00
Transferred from water account.....	3,479 29
Paid city warrants .....	\$23,479 29
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	\$23,479 29 \$23,479 29

## LIBRARY.

Appropriation.....	\$ 3,000 00
Transferred to general account.....	\$ 3,000 00
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	\$ 3,000 00 \$ 3,000 00

## LIQUOR.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 168 34
E. H. Wood, agent.....	8,600 00
Paid city warrants.....	\$ 7,438 32
Balance .....	1,330 02
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	\$ 8,768 34 \$ 8,768 34

## LIGHTS.

Appropriation.....	\$12,500 00
Transferred from water account.....	614 92
Paid city warrants.....	\$13,114 92
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	\$13,114 92 \$13,114 92

## POLICE.

Appropriation.....	\$ 4,000 00
Transferred to general account.....	\$ 1,274 45
Paid city warrants.....	2,725 55
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	\$ 4,000 00 \$ 4,000 00

## SALARIES.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 33 70
Appropriation.....	4,000 00
Transferred to general account .....	\$ 284 48
Paid city warrants.....	3,749 22
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	\$ 4,033 70 \$ 4,033 70

## SCHOOLS.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 3,657 92
State Treasurer, Huntington fund.....	400 93
Appropriation.....	35,000 00
State Treasurer, from state school tax....	1,655 01
Insurance.....	687 50
Interest on U. S. Surplus.....	1,254 95
School bond account.....	105 25
Tuition, etc.....	41 49
Paid school warrants.....	\$39,964 37
Balance .....	5,838 68
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	\$42,803 05 \$42,803 05

## SCHOOL BUILDING.

Balance, 1896.....	\$12,260 96
Interest.....	520 40
Paid city warrants.....	\$10,814 06
Balance .....	1,967 30
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	\$12,781 36 \$12,781 36

## SEWERS.

Appropriation.....	\$ 4,000 00
Assessments .....	240 15
Transferred from water account.....	264 13
Paid city warrants.....	\$ 4,504 28
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	\$ 4,504 28 \$ 4,504 28

## MOON BROOK SEWER.

Balance, 1896.....	\$25,116 31
Interest.....	350 00
Paid city warrants.....	\$18,448 41
Balance .....	12,017 90
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	\$25,466 31 \$25,466 31

## SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation.....	\$ 1,000 00
Assessments.....	528 12
Paid city warrants.....	\$ 240 64
Transferred to general account.....	1,287 48
	<u>\$ 1,528 12 \$ 1,528 12</u>

## STREETS.

Appropriation.....	\$17,000 00
State Treasurer.....	267 47
Crushed stone, etc.....	89 36
Transferred to general account.....	\$ 342 07
Paid city warrants.....	17,014 76
	<u>\$17,356 83 \$17,356 83</u>

## TEMPORARY LOAN WARRANTS.

Warrants outstanding January 1, 1897....	\$20,000 00
No. 81 cash borrowed.....	40,000 00
No. 82 cash borrowed.....	10,000 00
No. 83 cash borrowed.....	10,000 00
Paid city warrants.....	\$70,000 00
Warrants outstanding.....	10,000 00
	<u>\$80,000 00 \$80,000 00</u>

## WATER.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 2,059 59
Rents.....	25,664 90
Transferred to general account.....	\$ 213 26
Transferred to light account.....	614 92
Transferred to interest account.....	3,479 29
Transferred to sewer account.....	264 13
Paid city warrants.....	6,078 24
Balance.....	17,074 65
	<u>\$27,724 49 \$27,724 49</u>

## WATER EXTENTION.

Balance, 1896.....	\$ 701 24
Paid city warrants.....	\$ 701 24
	<u>\$ 701 24 \$ 701 24</u>

## CITY OF RUTLAND.

## TAX LEVY.

Grand List, 1897, \$85,507 98.	
From tax payers, 1897.....	\$118,034 18
From F. L. Clark, Collector.....	2,460 29
Balance, F. L. Clark, Collector.....	7,767 50
	<u>\$128,261 97</u>

State 10 per cent.....	\$ 8,550 80
State school 5 per cent.....	4,275 40
State road 5 per cent.....	4,275 40
Highway 20 per cent.....	17,101 60
School 43 per cent .....	35,913 35
General 58 per cent.....	49,594 62
Sinking fund, 10 per cent.....	8,550 80
	<u>\$128,261 97</u>

## TAX LEVY OF 1896.

F. L. Clark, Collector,

Balance to 1897.....	\$ 7,493 43
Cash.....	\$ 6,670 33
Balance to 1898.....	823 10
	<u>\$ 7,493 43 \$ 7,493 43</u>

## TAX LEVY OF 1895.

F. L. Clark, Collector.

Balance to 1897.....	\$ 4,427 13
Cash.....	\$ 2,909 75
Balance to 1898.....	1,517 38
	<u>\$ 4,427 13 \$ 4,427 13</u>

## TAX LEVY OF 1894.

F. L. Clark, Collector.

Balance to 1897.....	\$ 1,846 34
Cash.....	\$ 761 65
Balance to 1898.....	1,084 69
	<u>\$ 1,846 34 \$ 1,846 34</u>

## TAX LEVY OF 1893.

M. G. McCormack, Collector.

Balance to 1897.....	\$ 13 50
Cash.....	\$ 13 50
	<u>\$ 13 50 \$ 13 50</u>

## SUMMARY.

Appropriations.....	\$140,000 00	\$129,720 69
Charters and Corrections .....	8,901 27	8,901 27
Dog fund .....	411 80	411 80
Fire .....	7,760 32	7,760 32
General.....	27,264 09	27,264 09
Interest.....	23,479 29	23,479 29
Library.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
Liquor.....	7,438 32	8,768 34
Lights.....	13,114 92	13,114 92
Moon brook sewer.....	13,448 41	25,466 31
Police.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
Salaries.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
Schools.....	36,964 37	42,803 05
School building.....	10,814 06	12,781 36
Sewers .....	4,504 28	4,504 28
Sidewalks.....	1,528 12	1,528 12
Streets.....	17,356 83	17,356 83
Temporary loan warrants.....	70,000 00	80,000 00
Water.....	10,649 84	27,724 49
Water extension.....	701 24	701 24
Taxes .....	118,034 18	118,034 18
Tax levy, 1897.....	128,261 97	120,494 47
Tax levy, 1896.....	7,493 43	6,670 33
Tax levy, 1895.....	4,427 13	2,909 75
Tax levy, 1894.....	1,846 34	761 65
Tax levy, 1893.....	13 50	13 50
Balance .....	26,756 57	
	<u>\$692,170 28</u>	<u>\$692,170 28</u>

## STATEMENT.

Showing the balance of accounts December 31, 1897.

Liquor.....	\$ 1,330 02
Schools .....	5,838 68
School building.....	1,967 30
Moon brook sewer.....	12,017 90
Temporary warrant.....	10,000 00
Water.....	17,074 65
Appropriation.....	\$ 10,279 31
Due on tax levy, 1897.....	7,767 50
Due on tax levy, 1896.....	823 10
Due on tax levy, 1895.....	1,517 38
Due on tax levy, 1894.....	1,084 69
Cash on hand .....	26,756 57
	<u>\$ 48,228 55</u>
	<u>\$ 48,228 55</u>

## STATEMENT OF THE DEBT OF THE CITY.

DECEMBER 31, 1897.

## WATER DEBT.

Coupon bonds, 5 per cent (old), due January, 1899.....	\$ 13,500 00
Coupon bonds, 5 per cent (old), due July, 1899 .....	17,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due May, 1924.....	50,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1924.....	15,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1924.....	50,000 00
Refunding note, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1925.....	2,000 00—\$147,500 00

## GENERAL DEBT.

Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due May, 1924 .....	\$100,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1924 .....	50,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due June, 1926.....	25,000 00—\$175,000 00

## SCHOOL DEBT.

Coupon bond, 4 per cent (old), due November, 1898.....	\$ 1,000 00
Coupon bonds, 5 per cent (old), due December, 1898.....	2,000 00
Coupon bond, 4 per cent (old), due November, 1899.....	1,000 00
Coupon bonds, 5 per cent (old), due December, 1899.....	2,000 00
Coupon bonds, 5 per cent (old), due December, 1900.....	2,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1904.....	10,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1908.....	10,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1914.....	10,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1919.....	10,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due May, 1925.....	30,000 00
Refunding note, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1925.....	5,000 00—\$ 83,000 00

## SEWER DEBT.

Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due November, 1924.....	\$25,000 00
Coupon bonds, 4 per cent (new), due May, 1926.....	<u>75,000 00</u> -\$100,000 00
Total bonded debt.....	\$ 505,500 00
U. S. Surplus.....	\$ 20,915 85
Temporary loan warrant.....	10,000 00      30,915 85
	\$ 536,415 85
Sinking fund.....	17,962 57
Net debt.....	<u>\$ 518,453 28</u>

## BILLS AGAINST THE CITY.

C. V. R. R. balance due on Pine St. tunnel.....	\$ 3,099 00
Miscellaneous bills.....	500 00
	<u>\$ 3,599 00</u>

## DEBTS DUE CITY.

Taxes uncollected.....	\$ 11,192 67
Water rents unpaid (including rents due from railroads pending set- tlement).....	5,006 00
Sewer, sidewalk and curbing assess- ments.....	2,359 09
Due from Central Vt. R. R. Co. for crushed stone.....	500 00
Due from Central Vt. R. R. Co. for proportion of depot park improve- ments.....	740 36
Opera House licenses.....	110 00
	<u>\$ 19,908 12</u>

Number of polls, April 1, 1897, 2718.

Rate of taxation, \$15 per \$1,000.

Respectfully submitted,

WILL L. DAVIS,  
City Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE

## CITY AUDITORS.

To the Honorable City Council:

In compliance with section 14, chapter VII of the city ordinances, we, the undersigned auditors of the City of Rutland herewith submit our report for the year ending December 31, 1897.

We have carefully examined the books of the City Treasurer, City Clerk, City Liquor Agent, Overseer of the Poor, Trustees of the Sinking Fund and all warrants drawn upon the City Treasurer by the Honorable City Council and Board of School Commissioners, and we find that the Treasurer has proper vouchers for all moneys paid out.

We find that the City Clerk, City Liquor Agent Overseer of the Poor, Trustees of the Sinking Fund and Board of School Commissioners have properly accounted for all moneys received by them.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WEST,  
J. R. BATES,  
GEORGE C. McCLOY, } Auditors.

## REPORT OF THE

## COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Honorable City Council:

Upon examination of the itemized statements in the various departments, and the report of the Treasurer, it appears that the City has expended in the departments to which appropriations are hereinafter recommended, for the year last past, the sum of one hundred forty-nine thousand four hundred thirty-nine dollars and fourteen cents (\$149,439.14). By reason of the decreased state tax and some other extraordinary disbursements, we expect the necessary expenses for the coming year to be less than those of last year by about six thousand dollars (\$6,000), and accordingly recommend the following:

## APPROPRIATIONS.

Streets, . . . . .	\$ 17,000 00
Sewers, . . . . .	2,000 00
Sidewalks, . . . . .	1,000 00
Lights, . . . . .	12,500 00
Fire Department, . . . . .	7,000 00
Charities and Corrections,	8,000 00
Library (if legalized), . . . . .	2,400 00
Police, . . . . .	3,000 00

Salaries, . . . . .	4,000 00
Interest, . . . . .	23,000 00
Schools, . . . . .	35,000 00
Sinking Fund, . . . . .	8,500 00
General Account, . . . . .	20,000 00
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	\$ 143,400 00

Following is the indebtedness of the City December 31, 1897:

Water debt, bonded, . . .	\$ 147,500 00
General debt, bonded, . .	175,000 00
School debt, bonded, . .	83,000 00
Sewer debt, bonded, . .	100,000 00
Central Vermont Railroad	
Co. (Pine St. Tunnel), . .	3,099 00
U. S. Surplus Fund, . .	20,915 85
Temporary Loan Warrants	
Outstanding, . . . . .	10,000 00
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	\$ 539,514 85

This shows a decreased indebtedness from the report of December 31, 1896, of seventeen thousand sixty-one dollars and sixteen cents, (\$17,-061.16).

Applicable to the payment of this indebtedness the City has:

Sinking Fund, . . . . .	\$ 17,619 57
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There is due the City:

Uncollected Taxes, . . .	\$ 11,192 67
Unpaid Water Rates, . .	5,006 00
Unpaid Licenses, . . . .	110 00
Unpaid Sewer and Curb-	
ing Assessments, . . .	2,359 09

Due from Central Vt. R.  
R. Co. on Depot Park  
improvements and for  
crushed stone, . . . . .  
1,340 36

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Cash on hand December 31, 1987:

Moon Brook Sewer, bal-	
ance applicable to other	
new sewer construction,	\$ 12,017 90
Schools, . . . . .	5,838 68
School Buildings, . . . .	1,967 30
General, . . . . .	6,932 69
Total, . . . . .	\$ 26,756 57

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. PARRIS,  
HIRAM F. NOYES,  
JOHN J. BARRETT, } Committee on  
                            Finance.

#### REPORT OF THE

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS

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*To the Honorable City Council, Rutland, Vt.:—*

The following statement shows the condition  
of the sinking fund of the city for the year ending  
January 24, 1898:

We have received from the retiring board of  
Sinking Fund Commissioners:

City of Rutland	4 per cent.
School refunding notes due November	
1, 1925	- - - - - \$ 5,000 00
School refunding notes due November	
1, 1925	- - - - - 2,000 00
Cash	- - - - - 2,119 57
Interest	- - - - - 343 00
From the city treasurer, appropriation	
for 1897	- - - - - 8,500 00
Total	- - - - - \$ 17,962 57

WILLIAM Y. W. RIPLEY, } Sinking Fund  
GEORGE R. BOTTUM, } Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE  
**CITY ENGINEER.**

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*To the Honorable City Council:*

GENTLEMEN:—I submit herewith the fifth annual report of the City Engineer.

Nearly all the work done by this department this season has been on the surveys of the streets improved and sewers built. This work would be more easily and satisfactorily performed if the lines and grades were established previous to making any improvements.

SEWERS.

In the report of the Superintendent of Streets is a table showing sewers constructed in 1897, from which it will be seen that the number of linear feet laid is 4,699. If we add to this the length of the Moon Brook sewer and branches, the sum is the total amount of sewers constructed, which is 10,493 feet.

GROVE STREET SEWER.

The sewer in Grove Street is an improvement which has been needed many years. It is a ten-inch pipe sewer with a six-inch sub-drain from

West Street to 185 feet north of State Street, from which point to Library Avenue the pipe is eight inches in size with a four-inch sub-drain to Williams Street. The sewage from the houses south of Williams Street flows southerly into the West Street sewer, and that from the houses north of Williams Street flows northerly into the Trunk Sewer No. 2 at Library Avenue.

WILLIAMS STREET SEWER.

The new sewer on Williams Street from Grove Street 227 feet easterly is constructed of eight-inch pipe. This sewer empties into the section of the Grove Street sewer flowing northerly into Trunk Sewer No. 2.

OAK AND HOLLY STREET SEWERS.

For a number of years the people living in the vicinity of Oak Street have been greatly annoyed because they had no chance to dispose of the drain water. As there was not any trunk sewer built to take the sewage from this district, it was thought best to drain into Tenney Brook for a year until a trunk sewer could be laid in Baxter Street to connect with Trunk Sewer No. 2 at Library Avenue. Therefore the Oak Street sewer was started at Tenney Brook in Baxter Street, and a twelve-inch pipe with a four-inch sub-drain was laid to Holly Street. Thence up Holly Street to Walnut Street an eight-inch sewer with a four-inch sub-drain was put in.

A trunk sewer should be put into Baxter Street in 1898 so that the Oak Street sewer can have a proper outlet. This trunk sewer should be planned so that in time it will carry all of the sewage of the Tenney Brook valley.

## LINCOLN BOULEVARD SEWER.

With the consent of Mr. A. Premo, the sewer emptying on the Baxter property near Kingsley Avenue has been connected to the Trunk Sewer No. 2 in Lincoln Boulevard, by laying 137 feet of eight-inch pipe through Mr. Premo's lot.

## TRUNK SEWER NUMBER TWO.

This sewer has been extended from Melrose Avenue to North Street, the Street Committee and Mayor having agreed with and authorized the Evelyn Pierpoint estate to do the work.

Thirty-four feet of twelve-inch pipe and four-inch sub-drain were laid in Melrose Avenue. Thence across the private land to North Street an eight-inch sewer with a four-inch sub-drain was put in.

## WATKINS AVENUE SEWER.

An eight-inch sewer has been constructed in Watkins Avenue from West Street to State Street. This takes the drainage from the Tenth Ward school house.

## PARK AND GRANGER STREET SEWER.

The sewer on Granger Street from Park Street to Moon Brook was constructed in 1895 with the intention that when the Moon Brook sewer was built the connection of this sewer would be made by means of sump manholes, one on each side of the Granger Street bridge.

It was decided that such an arrangement would not prove as servicable as a direct pipe line. Therefore an eight-inch pipe was laid from Park

Street to the Moon Brook sewer, crossing the Moon Brook west of the Granger Street bridge abutments in an eight-inch iron pipe. This pipe is contained in a sixteen-inch iron pipe with an air space between the two so that the sewage will not freeze. These pipes are supported at each bank of the brook by a concrete wall five feet high, six feet thick at the base and three feet at the top of the pipe.

## MOON BROOK SEWER.

The Moon Brook sewer has been constructed on the line described in the report filed in the City Clerk's office by the Street Committee, November 1, 1897. It is eighteen-inch pipe from Otter Creek to Main Street, and fifteen-inch pipe from Main Street easterly. The pipe has been very carefully placed to line and grade so that the inside is as straight and perfect as possible and looks very similar to a gun barrel.

The population of Moon Brook and Mussey Brook valleys at the present time is estimated at 4,000. If we figure the amount of sewage daily as ten cubic feet or seventy-five gallons per capita, one-half of which would reach the sewer in six hours, we find the amount which would be carried in that time to be 150,000 gallons or 6.94 gallons per second. On account of the perfect alignment of the pipe we can use  $n=.010$ . This will give us in our eighteen inch sewer with the grade of three inches per hundred feet a carrying capacity of forty-eight gallons per second or when flowing one-half full, twenty-four gallons per second, which is three and one-half times the amount of sewage to be taken care of at present. So that should the

population on this area increase to three and one-half times 4,000, the sewer is of sufficient size to carry the sewage readily.

Heretofore the manhole tops have been eight inches in height; and, on account of the frost heaving the caps and three or four courses of brick, it has been necessary to make frequent repairs. To avoid these difficulties the manhole tops on this sewer have been cast three feet in height, three and one-half feet in diameter at the bottom and two feet at the top. This makes a casting which will be deeper than the frost at the manholes, and, being conical in shape, will not be so liable to heave as a vertical surface.

Wherever the foundation was not the best or the pipe likely to receive more than ordinary pressure, it has been encased in concrete. In fact, every precaution has been taken to make this a first-class sewer in all respects.

No difficulty was encountered in constructing the sewer until a tunnel was started under the Rutland Railroad tracks. The ground was very wet at the time, and being of a silty nature at this point, was difficult to handle. The bents were eight by eight spruce seven feet in height with a cap four feet and four inches long across the top and a mud sill five feet and ten inches long across the bottom. These bents were placed three feet or less from center to center.

Finding it almost impossible to start the tunnel on account of the nature of the soil, three-inch hardwood planks ten feet long were driven in with a jack screw about fifteen inches above the tops of the cap pieces. These relieved the pressure on the heading to such an extent that it could be

worked readily. After tunnelling a short distance the soil was not sufficiently wet to impede the progress.

This sewer is designed and constructed to carry house sewage only, and in constructing laterals care should be taken not to allow storm water to enter them.

On account of the impossibility of keeping all of the storm water out of the sewer until new sewers are built throughout that section of the city to take the place of the old ones, there have been valves located in the sides of five of the manholes so that when these are connected with the brook they will, if necessary, take away the surplus storm water from the sewer, but will not open for the brook water to flow into the sewer. If, when the new laterals are built, the old ones are left to take the storm water, they may be useful for many years. However, the sooner they are disconnected from the houses and new sewers put in to carry only the sewage, the better it will be for all concerned.

The capacity of the Moon Brook sewer as built is, in all probability, sufficient to carry all of the sewage from the Moon and Mussey Brook valleys for fifty years.

#### SEWER PIPE.

A satisfactory settlement was effected with the H. Wales Lines Co. for the pipe shipped here in 1896, and a large part of it has been used in the sewer work; placing the second quality where concrete was necessary, also in temporary drains, and using only first quality pipe in sewers where no concrete was put in.

The pipe has been purchased this year on the same contract but from a different factory and is of an extra good quality.

#### HOUSE CONNECTIONS.

The house connections on the old sewers are still a source of trouble to the city, but as new sewers are built and the old cut out or used for storm drains, the difficulty from this source decreases.

Forty-five houses have been connected to the public sewers during the past year.

#### RECORD OF SEWERS CONSTRUCTED.

Total length of sewers January 1, 1897.....	105,037 feet.
Total length of sewers constructed in 1897.....	10,493 "
	115,530 "
Total length of sewers abandoned in 1897.....	408 "
Total length of sewers January 1, 1898.....	115,122 "

#### STREETS.

The report of the Superintendent of Streets contains a full description of the improvements made on the streets and sidewalks this season.

#### RECORD OF STREETS IMPROVED.

	Feet.	Miles.	Miles.
Earth roadways December 31, 1896.....	209,995	39.77	
Macadamized in 1897.....	9,454	1.79	
			37.98
Earth roadways December 31, 1897....	200,541		
Macadam roadways December 31, 1896, 26,603		5.04	
Macadamized in 1897.....	9,454	1.79	
			6.83
Macadam roadways December 31, 1897, 36,057			
Tar concrete roadways December 31,			
1897.....	1,900	.36	
Total miles December 31, 1897....			45.17

#### PARK WORK.

The parks on Main Street, between Court Square and Washington Street, have been smoothed and seeded.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. GROVER,

City Engineer.

REPORT OF THE  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.**

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To the Honorable City Council, Rutland, Vt.

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the report of the work done by the street department for the year ending December 31, 1897.

During the first three months Mr. J. A. Sheldon was superintendent of this department. For the remainder of the year, Mr. J. H. Stickney has been my assistant. During the summer months Mr. C. F. Willis assisted us.

GARBAGE DISPOSAL.

Arrangements were made during Mr. Sheldon's management by which the city refuse might be dumped on a vacant lot adjoining Moon Brook, on the west side of Forest Street. A large amount of decaying vegetables, etc., were dumped, with the other refuse, on this land during the fall and winter of 1895-96. Consequently the people living in that vicinity complained of the odor and asked to have the cause of it removed. After clearing away this nuisance and burning the waste paper, it was thought best to keep a man there to take charge of the refuse as it was dumped, also to make a

nominal charge for each load, in order that the parties benefitted might pay a portion of the expense incurred. Therefore, according to the vote of the Aldermen, five cents has been charged for each load of refuse dumped.

About the first of October, it seemed that very little more refuse would be taken there this season, so the laborer who had assisted in this work was dismissed.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

May 3rd, the Aldermen, acting upon a recommendation of the City Engineer, voted to expend \$6,000 on the improvement of streets, and \$6,000 in building new sewers, etc., as follows:

To macadamize streets as follows:

Washington Street from Pleasant to Main; Cottage Street; Forest Street from the end of the present macadam to River Street; River Street from Forest to the Clarendon & Pittsford R. R. bridge, also from the foot of River Street bridge to Granger Street; North Main Street from Woodstock Avenue 1000 feet north; South Main Street from the Chaffee crossing to Mussey Brook.

To construct the following sewers, etc.:

A culvert through West Street, near the "Gates Place" at Center Rutland; a sewer in Grove Street from West Street to Library Avenue; a sewer on State Street from Evergreen Avenue to East Creek; a sewer on Evergreen Avenue from State Street to Dawley's house; a sewer on Oak and Holly Streets; a catch-basin on Baxter Street south of State Street; two catch-basins at the corner of Cleveland Avenue and State Street; a catch-basin

on the corner of Maple and Baxter Streets; a catch-basin at the corner of Robbins and Baxter Streets.

The streets were macadamized in the following order: Cottage, Pine, River (between Granger and Post), Washington, Forest, River (Forest westerly), South Main and North Main.

#### COTTAGE STREET.

The material excavated in grading this street was transferred, part to Pine Street and the remainder to River Street near Spruce. Before macadamizing Cottage Street, a four-inch soil drain was laid in gravel three feet deep in each gutter, to keep the ground water from the road bed.

#### PINE STREET.

Two well holes were built on the west side of Pine Street at Maple Street to prevent the storm water from flowing down the latter street.

#### WASHINGTON STREET.

On this street, a four-inch soil drain was laid in the south gutter, draining into the sewer on Pleasant Street. From the point where this drain connects with the Pleasant Street sewer to Washington Street, and on the latter street to Main Street, blind drains of gravel and boulders were laid across the roadway, fifty feet apart, and arranged to drain into the soil drain. Also a well hole was built on the north side, near the west line of the park, and connected with the Judge Barrett sewer.

#### FOREST AND RIVER STREETS.

An eight-inch iron pipe was put across River Street at the east side of Meadow Street to carry the storm water from the south gutter to the well hole in the north gutter. The low place between the Clarendon & Pittsford R. R. bridge and the Dorr bridge was raised by filling in with marble waste and boulders, and then surfaced with macadam, so the water of Otter Creek will not flow over the roadway as formerly. In consequence of this, the Dorr bridge is in danger of being damaged by flood water and should be raised, which can be done to the best advantage in the winter when the ice is thick.

#### SOUTH MAIN STREET.

A four-inch soil drain was laid in the east gutter of South Main Street from Chaplin Street 180 feet north, and then across the street. The twelve-inch pipe culvert across this street south of Allen Street has proved too small in past years. This was taken out and relaid with eighteen-inch pipe with six inches of concrete entirely surrounding it; which construction makes a culvert that will last many years.

#### NORTH MAIN STREET.

The Merrill sewer, being too high for the grade of the street, was relaid on the east side of the roadway in the lawn; also a four-inch soil drain was laid in the east gutter from Woodstock Avenue to Burnham Avenue. There was, under this roadway near Burnham Avenue, an old stone culvert which during late years has been used as a sewer, the outlet of which is an eight-inch Akron

pipe sewer extending down Burnham Avenue. This old culvert was taken up and relaid with eight-inch pipe. The well hole at the northeast corner of North Main Street and Woodstock Avenue had to be rebuilt.

In addition to the above work, North Main Street from Library Avenue to North Street has been macadamized, the people interested having furnished the teams to place the stone. This makes a macadam roadway on Main Street from Madison to North Street, a distance of one mile.

#### STREETS REPAIRED WITH MACADAM.

The following streets have been repaired with macadam: Pine Street from West to the "tunnel"; Washington Street from Court to Pleasant and Center Street at Court Street.

TABLE No. 1.

#### STREETS MACADAMIZED IN 1897.

Street.	From	To	Dis-tance Feet.	No. Loads Stone.	No. Square Yards.	Cost of Labor.
Cottage St.	West .....	Williams .....	1,020	578	2,022	\$ 507 52
Forest .....	River .....	Convent Ave..	470	127	835	211 00
North Main	Woodstock .....	North .....	2,811	1,181	4,997	1,164 96*
Pine .....	Robbins .....	Library .....	600	256	1,200	462 12
"	Dorr bridge .....	Forest .....	1,836	807	3,317	787 88
South Main	Granger .....	Post .....	787	406	1,749	376 94
Rutland R.R.	Mussey Brook .....	1,200	692	2,938	680 05	
Washington	Pleasant .....	Main .....	700	1,153	2,333	1,804 79
Totals...	.....	.....	9,454	5,200	19,336	\$5,995 21

\* Also labor given amounting to \$205.00.

TABLE No. 2.

#### STREETS REPAIRED WITH MACADAM.

Street.	From	To	Dis-tance Feet.	No. Loads Stone.	No. Square Yards.	Cost of Labor.
Center .....	85 ft. W. Court St.	80 ft. E. Court St.	280	99	767	\$ 110 09
Pine .....	West .....	"Tunnel" .....	135	29	270	52 18
Washington	Court. ....	Pleasant .....	165	52	477	86 25
Totals...	.....	.....	530	180	1,514	\$ 248 52

#### SUMMARY OF MACADAM WORK.

The total amount of Macadam work placed this season is 9,454 linear feet, or one and four-fifths miles, which amounts to 19,336 square yards, and the macadam repaired amounts to 530 linear feet, or 1,514 square yards.

The stone for this macadam and other work has all been taken from the quarry on North Main Street and amounts in all to 9,390 cubic yards, of which about 1,200 yards have been used on sidewalks, sewers, etc., and 8,200 on macadam work. The present system of quarrying might be greatly improved by arranging a mechanical carrier to convey the stone from the ledge to the crusher.

Before placing the macadam, each roadway was properly shaped and, as stated, drained; and, wherever the foundation was soft, a two-inch layer of coarse sand was put in to keep the stone from settling into the soil. The macadamizing has been thoroughly executed, and consequently will withstand the wear of travel and the elements for many years.

TABLE No. 3.

The following streets and roads have been repaired with the road machine:

STREET.	FROM	TO	COST.
Allen.....	North Main St....	City Line .....	\$78 37
Baxter.....	Crescent St.....	400 ft S.....	4 75
Center St. Ext.	South Main St.....	East St.....	1 80
Clinton Ave.....	North Main St...	end of St.....	14 85
Columbian Ave..	State St.....	West St.....	89 15
Cramton Ave.....	State St. ....	West St.....	15 50
Crescent St.....	Church St.....	Grove St.....	4 75
Evergreen Ave..	State St.....	Columbian Ave..	14 00
Gleason Road....	Woodstock Ave ..	City Line.....	14 25
Grove St.....	Oak Street.....	" " .....	19 00
Harrington Ave..	Stratton Road....	1,200 ft. W.....	12 10
High St.....	North Main St.....	end of St.....	28 29
Killington Ave..	Stratton Road ..	City Line .....	9 00
Mussey St. ....	Allen Street.....	end of St.....	19 25
North Main St. ....	" Dunklee's". ..	City Line .....	17 50
Oak St.....	Grove St.....	Baxter St. ....	19 50
State St.....	Evergreen Ave..	Cramton Ave ...	17 75
Stratton Road....	Allen St.....	Killington Ave..	37 13
Temple St.....	North Main St. ...	Woodstock Ave..	16 00
Watkins Ave....	State St.....	West St.....	14 25
West St. ....	Columbian Ave..	1,500 ft. W.....	77 00
Woodstock Ave ..	Temple St.....	City Line. ....	35 20
	Total.....		\$549 39

## SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS.

As shown by table No. 4, the total length of sidewalks covered with crushed stone is 14,979 linear feet. A part of these, viz.: The walks on Cramton Avenue, Evergreen Avenue, Lincoln Boulevard, State Street and Watkins Avenue had to be graded considerably before the stone was put on.

On account of the limited amount of fine stone, we have covered the coarse stone on a number of the walks with fine gravel and sand.

TABLE No. 4.

## SIDEWALKS COVERED WITH CRUSHED STONE.

STREET.	From	To	Side St.	Length, feet.	No. Square Yrds.	Cost.
Cramton Av.	West .....	State .....	W.....	810	360	\$78 80
Engrem Av...	45 ft. E. of	East St ..	N.....	275	122	12 20
Evergreen Av	Columbian..	200 ft. N. of	Dawley's h. W.....	1640	729	131 33
Franklin St. ..	Granger .....	West 283 ft..	S .....	268	119	14 00
Granger St. ....	Franklin .....	South 432 ft.	W. & E..	864	384	32 50
" .....	River.....	South..	W .....	354	162	15 78
Grove St.....	Oak.....	Grimm's ho. W .....	1200	533	7 25	
Kingsley Av..	125 ft. E.	Church..	"Betts" ho. N.....	334	148	11 52
Lincoln Bou..	Wa. d 9	school ho.	Knowlton h. E.....	1510	755	88 50
Pine St .....	Maple .....	Library.....	E. & W..	590	262	33 75
" .....	Robbins .....	Maple .....	W .....	270	120	17 00
River St. ....	Granger .....	Spruce .....	S .....	487	216	18 80
Robbins St ..	Pine .....	Baxter .....	N .....	910	404	46 20
State St. ....	Evergreen .....	Cramton .....	N .....	775	344	51 00
Strong's Ave ..	Clover.....	South 507 ft	E.....	507	233	31 10
" .....	Moon Brook	Park St. ....	W .....	1050	467	19 00
Watkins Ave..	West.....	State. ....	E.....	775	344	66 20
Woodstock Av	Harrington..	Temple. ....	S.....	2350	788	93 00
	Totals.....			14,979	6505	\$767 93

## SEWER CONSTRUCTION.

During the summer season, sewer work was carried on with great difficulty because of heavy rains. In the autumn the weather was much more favorable and the Moon Brook Sewer was rapidly pushed to completion. The construction was delayed by our not receiving pipe as promptly as desired. The pipe was ordered some time before sewer work began, but its delivery was delayed by a scarcity of cars in the west.

For a description of the Moon Brook Sewer as constructed, see the City Engineer's Report.

TABLE No. 5.

## SEWERS CONSTRUCTED IN 1897.

WHERE BUILT.	From	To	Size Pipe, inches	Len'th Feet.	No. M.H.	Cost of Labor.
Grove St.....	West St .....	Library Ave ..	8 & 10	1776	1	\$1,610 55
Holly St....	Oak St .....	Walnut St.....	8	348	1	89 47
No. Main St..	Woodstock Av	Aiken Pl .. .	8	270		50 00
Oak St ...	Baxter St. ..	Holly St.....	12	704	1	471 18
Private Land.	Tr'nk Sewer, 2	"Bates Sewer"	8	137		38 68
Tr'nk Sewer, 2	Melrose Av. ..	North St .....	8 & 12	386	1	*20 62
Watkins Ave..	West St .....	State St.....	8	851	1	267 92
Williams St..	Grove St .....	227 ft. E.....	8	227		58 05
Totals.....	.....	.....		4,699	5	\$2,606 47

\*Balance paid by Pierpoint estate.

Granger St....	M. B. Sewer ..	Park St.....	8	281	{	\$6,728
Valley of Moon Brook,	Otter Creek...	350 ft. E. of Main St ....	15 & 18	5513		

## ACCOUNT OF LABOR ON STREETS AND SEWERS.

Total amount charged to streets, - \$17,014 76  
 " " " sewers, - 4,504 28

" " " streets and  
 sewers, - - - - - \$21,519 04

Labor and material used in 1896 and  
 paid for in 1897, plus the cost of  
 labor and material to April 1st,  
 1897, - - - - - 3,222 80

Total cost of streets and sewers, April  
 1st to December 31st, - - - \$18,296 24

Expended as follows:  
 Supplies, blacksmithing, engineering,  
 etc., on streets, - - \$2,550 53  
 Supplies, blacksmithing, engineering,  
 etc., on sewers, - - \$1,675 60

4,226 13

Amount paid for labor, - - - \$14,070 11

## Expended as follows:

From Table No. 1,	-	-	-	-	5,995 21
" "	" 2,	-	-	-	248 52
" "	" 3,	-	-	-	549 39
" "	" 4,	-	-	-	767 93
" "	" 5,	-	-	-	2,606 47

## REPAIRS.

Baxter Street sewer,	-	\$7 50	
Baxter Street bridge,	- -	2 25—	\$9 75
Center Street sewer, back of Tuttle's,			45 82
Clover Street filling,	-	\$16 12	
Clover Street sewer,	- -	12 10—	28 22
East Street sewer,	- -	-	5 00
East Washington Street culvert,	-		5 00
Forest Street drains	- -	-	11 75
Granger Street sewers,	- -	-	60 93
Grove Street filling,	- -	-	28 00
Howe Street sewer,	- -	-	43 00
Jackson Avenue drain,	-	\$10 37	
" " washout,	-	17 00	
" " bridge,	- -	3 75—	31 12
Killington Avenue well hole, etc.,			18 50
Maple Street sewers,	- -	\$15 10	
" " repairs to hill,	-	8 20	
" " sidewalk,	-	6 00—	29 30
Merchants Row repairs,	-	37 17	
" " cleaning, etc.,	467 30—		504 47
North Street culvert at Church Street,			6 50
North Main Street drains, etc.,	-		57 30
Oak Street filling,	- -	-	20 00
Park street drain,	- -	-	7 00
Pine Street drain,	- -	\$11 00	
" " sewers,	- -	11 62—	22 62
River Street bridge,	- -	14 75	
" " drain,	- -	4 00—	18 75

Royce Street filling, - - -	\$ 98 75
South Main Street sewer at Gouger Hill, - - -	\$15 42
South Main Street repairs at Rutland R. R., - - -	21 70
South Main Street culvert, south of Allen Street, - -	38 00
South Main Street park repairs, and cutting grass, - -	262 45
South Main Street, bridges, 11 00—	348 57
Spruce Street sewer, - - -	47 65
Strong's Avenue bridge, - - -	5 25
Woodstock Avenue filling at Temple Street, - - - - -	8 80

## MISCELLANEOUS.

City Dump, - - - - -	187 50
Cleaning and repairing well holes,	191 50
“ “ “ sewers, - -	217 00
Paid for by private parties, - - -	56 00
Repairs to Memorial Hall property,	47 50
Cleaning Maple Street pipe yard,	14 00
Cleaning stones, leaves, dirt, etc., from streets and gutters and repairing small holes, etc., in streets, side- walks and bridges and other gen- eral work, - - - - -	1,727 04
Total, - - - - -	\$14,070 11

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. GROVER,  
Superintendent of Streets.

## REPORT OF THE

## SUPT. OF WATER WORKS.

To the Honorable City Council:

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the ordinances I present herewith the report of the Superintendent of Water Works for the year 1897.

During the first three months Mr. J. M. Davis was Superintendent of this department. Since that time Mr. F. W. Warren has been my assistant in charge of the work.

In the summer season there were employed besides the assistant in this department three men, one at the head and two on city work. Since November only one man has been employed on the city work.

With but very little extra help, seven leaks in the mains and eighteen leaks in the service pipes were repaired, also thirty-one new house connections were made, together with the necessary attention to the boxes, hydrants, blow-offs, new mains laid, etc.

In doing this work, 1,008 feet of three-fourths inch and 104 feet of one-inch galvanized pipe have been laid.

## NEW MAINS AND HYDRANTS.

The following table gives the location, length, etc., of the new mains laid this season:

Street.	From	To	Size inches.	Distance feet.
Baxter .....	Park Ave.....	Crescent St.....	6	352
Grove.....	G. H. Grimm's....	B. F. Farmer's....	6	753
Hazel.....	At northerly end.....		6	60
Water .....	At northerly end.....		3	120
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Total.....				1,285

This makes a total increase in our pipe system of 1,165 feet of 6-inch pipe and 120 feet of 3-inch pipe.

One 6-inch Eddy valve has been set at the corner of Grove and Locust Streets. One new hydrant has been put in. It is on the west side of Grove Street, near B. F. Farmer's. Also three broken hydrants have been replaced by new ones. Total number of hydrants in use, 130.

## WOODSTOCK AVENUE RESERVOIR.

The Woodstock Avenue Reservoir has not been used for many years. The water had been allowed to remain in it and become stagnant so that it was unfit for use. When this reservoir was constructed no provision was made for draining it except through the mains, but on account of the unhealthy condition of the water, this method was very undesirable. Therefore the outlet main was tapped in the gate house between the shut off and the reservoir and the water allowed to flow into the gate house, from which it was drained into the sewer. After cleaning the reservoir it was filled with water and is now ready for use. It is in a dilapidated condition and should be either temporarily replaced or cut out of the system until such time as it may be of service.

## GLEASON RESERVOIR.

The water of the Gleason reservoir comes from a small mountain stream and is exceptionally pure. The reservoir is leaking badly and should be repaired. The old pipe line which carries this water to the city has only a small capacity, consequently the reservoir need not be enlarged at present, but when any costly repairs are made it should be built larger and, possibly, in a different location.

## THE NEW HEAD.

Previous to 1897 the city had purchased the Stafford and Allen places above the intake for the purpose of removing some of the nuisances which were contaminating the water of the Mendon branch. All the buildings had been left standing and, as such, were still a nuisance. These were removed and their locations cleaned of rubbish, smoothed and seeded. The remaining nuisances existing along the Mendon branch above the intake should be abolished.

The large settling pond built in 1891 has been drained and cleaned for the first time since its construction. Over 125 cubic yards of material which contained a large amount of decaying vegetable matter was removed. I would recommend that this reservoir be cleaned as often as once in two years at least.

The necessity of closing the 16-inch main can be obviated by connecting it with one of the other ponds or with the canal at a sufficient elevation to feed the main.

On account of the long duration of rain the past season we have been unable to keep storm water from occasionally entering the system.

## RECORDS.

There are not many records concerning the location of the valves on the old pipe system nor of the points where the old system is connected with the new. These notes can only be obtained by observation and should be collected. If a large plan of the city were made showing the location of all of the valves and main connections, it would be of great assistance to this department.

## WATER FURNISHED THE CITY IN 1897.

For schools,	- - - - -	\$ 750 00
For City Hall, Memorial Hall, City Farm and Superintendent's office,	- - -	100 00
For fire stations,	- - - - -	35 00
For watering troughs,	- - - - -	200 00
For 130 hydrants, \$10 each,	- - -	1,300 00
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		\$2,385 00

## INVENTORY OF TOOLS ON HAND.

Tools and furnishings at shop,	- - -	\$1,810 88
Tools and furnishings at head,	- - -	85 10
Material on hand,	- - - - -	1,336 63
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		\$3,632 61

A detailed statement of the inventory is on file at the office of the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. GROVER,  
Superintendent of Water Works.

## REPORT OF THE

**CHIEF ENGINEER.**

*To the Honorable City Council:*

In compliance with section 25, chapter 22 of the laws and ordinances of the city, I herewith submit my report, including a complete record of fires from January 1 to December 31, 1897, and a detailed statement of fires and alarms that the department have responded to, also the cause of such fires with the amount of insurance carried upon the property endangered and the total insurance paid thereon.

The expenses for running the department for the past year are \$7,017.74, classified as follows:—

Salaries permanent men,	- - - - -	\$4,187 96
Salaries call men and officers,	- - - - -	1,402 12
Supplies for stations,	- - - - -	147 52
Forage for horses,	- - - - -	307 21
Horseshoeing,	- - - - -	88 44
Fuel,	- - - - -	238 15
Repairs on apparatus and stations,	- - -	62 05
Laundry,	- - - - -	53 22
Fire alarm supplies and repairs,	- - -	172 39
Telephones,	- - - - -	56 00
Veterinary services,	- - - - -	7 25

Rubber coats and boots,	- - - -	139 46
Miscellaneous,	- - - -	41 00
New fire alarm box No. 24,	- - -	114 97
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		\$7,017 74
Appropriations,	- - -	\$7,500 00
Old material sold,	- - -	210 55
Current expenses,	- - -	7,017 74
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Unexpended balance,	- -	\$ 692 81
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The estimated value of property in charge of the fire department Dec. 31st, 1897, is \$19,684.46. Schedules in detail are on file at the City Clerk's office, also at the department headquarters.

Your apparatus for fire service consists:—

One Amoskeag steam fire engine.

One Hayes aerial hook and ladder truck.

Two hose wagons, capacity 1,500 feet hose each, fully equipped with fire extinguishers, play pipes, axes, rubber covers, short ladders, etc.

1,600 feet hose, 2½ inch, in good condition.

3,000 feet hose, 2½ inch, in fair condition.

800 feet hose, 2½ inch, condemned.

Your apparatus and the fire alarm telegraph system is in excellent condition. The wheels that came with the hose wagons four years ago did not prove to be first-class, and the makers, Gleason & Bailey Mfg. Co., furnished a new set for each wagon free of charge. The amount of hose in the department is very small, only 400 feet having been purchased since 1892. We have not enough for a full change. In my two previous reports I have advised the purchase of hose and I trust that the

**Record of Fires for Year Ending December 31st, 1897.**

DATE	Style of alarm.	Time.	Location.	Class of Building.	Owner.	Occupied as	ESTIMATED VALUES.		ESTIMATED PROPERTY LOSS.		REPORTED INSURANCE INVOLVED.		REPORTED INSURANCE PAID.		CAUSE.	
							Building.	Personal.	Building.	Personal.	Building.	Personal.	Building.	Personal.		
1897.																
Jan. 9.	Box 16.	12 20 p. m.	Library ave.	Wood.	H. H. Dyer.	Dwelling.	\$ 2,000 00	\$ 500 00	\$ 312 71	\$ 75 00	1,500 00	None.	No loss.	\$ 75 00	Overheated stove pipe.	
Jan. 30.	Box 13.	7:53 a. m.	Crescent street.	Wood.	A. E. Ball.	Dwelling.	2,500 00	1,000 00	970 00	-----	2,000 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 312 71	75 00	Thawing water pipe.	
Feb. 28.	Box 18.	11 38 p. m.	Walnut street.	Wood.	F. Fremier.	Unfinished house	1,000 00	-----	-----	-----	1,000 00	-----	970 00	-----	Overheated stove.	
Mch. 7.	Box 19.	6:40 p. m.	West street.	Wood.	P. McManus.	Barn.	2,000 00	1,500 00	80 00	200 00	None.	None.	-----	-----	Incendiary.	
Mch. 11.	Box 15.	12:15 p. m.	Harrison ave.	Wood.	W. C. Landon.	Dwelling.	1,500 00	300 00	20 00	-----	1,250 00	None.	20 00	-----	Chimney burning out.	
Mch. 15.	Box 18.	8:40 p. m.	Main street.	Wood.	Mrs. J. E. Webster.	Dwelling.	800 00	500 00	384 98	400 00	60 00	500 00	384 98	400 00	Incendiary.	
Mch. 15.	Phone.	10:15 p. m.	Main street.	Wood.	Mrs. J. E. Webster.	Dwelling.	-----	-----	125 00	-----	-----	-----	125 00	-----	Overheated furnace.	
Mch. 17.	Box 32.	1:46 a. m.	Center street.	Wood.	D. W. Temple.	Dwelling.	3,500 00	-----	-----	-----	3,300 00	None.	-----	-----	Gasoline torch.	
Apr. 1.	Box 43.	11:22 a. m.	Grove street.	Wood.	C. E. Channell.	Store.	2,000 00	200 00	-----	-----	1,500 00	None.	No loss.	-----	Chimney burning out.	
Apr. 19.	Box 45.	6:37 p. m.	Wales street.	Wood.	W. H. Valiquette.	Dwelling.	600 00	200 00	-----	-----	500 00	None.	No loss.	-----	Defective thermostat.	
Apr. 21.	Thermostat.	1:20 p. m.	Freight street.	Brick.	Burditt Bros.	Elevator and Mill.	-----	-----	-----	-----	500 00	-----	500 00	1,500 00	Burning grass.	
Apr. 23.	Box 37.	2:25 p. m.	Strong's avenue.	Wood.	D. M. White Lumber Co.	Lumber Shed.	700 00	2,500 00	700 00	2,500 00	500 00	1,500 00	500 00	1,500 00	Defective thermostat.	
May 3.	Thermostat.	10:50 a. m.	Freight street.	Brick.	Burditt Bros.	Elevator and Mill.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Defective thermostat.	
May 6.	Thermostat.	8:02 p. m.	Center street.	Brick.	The Tuttle Co.	Store and printing.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Defective thermostat.	
May 12.	Thermostat.	2:42 p. m.	Freight street.	Brick.	Burditt Bros.	Elevator and mill.	-----	-----	-----	-----	300 00	200 00	-----	-----	Chimney burning out.	
May 19.	Box 25.	11:41 a. m.	Temple street.	Wood.	Mrs. A. Stratton.	Dwelling.	500 00	300 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	No loss.	No loss.	False alarm.	
June 17.	Box 19.	11:24 p. m.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	False alarm.	
June 18.	Box 14.	12:45 a. m.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Incendiary.	
June 24.	Box 14.	10:36 a. m.	Church street.	Wood.	H. Todd.	Dwelling.	1,500 00	300 00	75 00	-----	1,000 00	200 00	75 00	-----	Needless alarm.	
June 28.	Box 34.	9:18 a. m.	Main street.	Wood.	J. E. Gibson.	Dwelling.	-----	-----	-----	-----	5 00	1,500 00	1,000 00	5 00	Lamp explosion.	
July 6.	Box 45.	9:15 p. m.	Wales street.	Wood.	H. H. Dyer.	Dwelling.	2,000 00	1,000 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Needless alarm.	
July 15.	Box 45.	9:47 p. m.	West street.	Wood.	S. French.	Hotel.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	False alarm.	
July 21.	Box 23.	1:28 a. m.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Defective thermostat.	
July 22.	Thermostat.	3:05 a. m.	Freight street.	Brick.	Burditt Bros.	Elevator and mill.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Defective thermostat.	
July 30.	Box 47.	6:00 p. m.	Center street.	Brick.	The Tuttle Co.	Store and printing.	-----	-----	-----	-----	12,000 00	12,000 00	No loss.	No loss.	Overheated stove pipe.	
Aug. 3.	Thermostat.	11:05 a. m.	Center street.	Brick.	The Tuttle Co.	Store and printing.	15,000 00	15,000 00	-----	-----	11,000 00	1,000 00	562 50	125 00	Unknown.	
Aug. 28.	Box 32.	7:24 a. m.	Center street.	Brick.	City.	Schools.	30,000 00	2,000 00	700 00	125 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	Children with matches.	
Aug. 30.	Box 63.	4:49 p. m.	Granger street.	Wood.	Mrs. O'Laughlin.	Hen house.	-----	-----	-----	-----	600 00	400 00	-----	-----	Needless alarm.	
Sept. 6.	Box 63.	5:30 p. m.	Granger street.	Wood.	J. Griffin.	Dwelling.	-----	-----	500 00	400 00	500 00	400 00	-----	400 00	Incendiary.	
Sept. 7.	Box 31.	2:15 p. m.	Stratton Road.	Wood.	H. Walletts.	Dwelling.	60,000 00	30,000 00	250 00	65 00	32,000 00	15,000 00	250 00	65 00	Overheated stove pipe.	
Sept. 15.	Still.	8:45 p. m.	Center street.	Brick.	C. F. Richardson.	Hotel and stores.	2,000 00	1,000 00	-----	-----	1,500 00	500 00	No loss.	No loss.	Chimney burning out.	
Sept. 18.	Still.	4:30 p. m.	Church street.	Wood.	Moses Ford.	Dwelling.	15,000 00	5,000 00	15 00	-----	10,000 00	4,000 00	15 00	-----	Gasoline torch.	
Sept. 20.	Box 47.	1:59 p. m.	Merchants Row.	Brick.	P. W. Clement.	Printing and offices.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	False alarm.	
Sept. 25.	Box 74.	7:56 p. m.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Needless alarm.	
Oct. 16.	Box 34.	6:20 p. m.	Main street.	Wood.	J. D. Hanrahan.	Dwelling.	-----	-----	500 00	200 00	500 00	200 00	500 00	200 00	Boiling fat.	
Oct. 20.	Box 16.	9:00 a. m.	City Park.	Wood.	S. Geno.	Dwelling.	500 00	200 00	500 00	200 00	None.	51,700 00	-----	No loss.	Defective chimney.	
Oct. 24.	Box 47.	8:03 a. m.	Merchants Row.	Brick.	J. A. Mead.	Stores and offices.	65,000 00	75,000 00	15 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Unknown.	
Nov. 1.	Still.	7:20 p. m.	R. Road yard.	Wood.	Rutland R. R.	Out house.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Needless alarm.	
Nov. 6.	Box 37.	7:54 a. m.	Strong's ave.	Wood.	E. W. Bissell.	Dry house.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Defective chimney.	
Nov. 19.	Box 42.	6:11 p. m.	Merchants Row.	Brick.	J. W. Cramton.	Hotel and stores.	65,000 00	18,000 00	375 00	150 00	15,000 00	7,000 00	375 00	150 00	Unknown.	
Dec. 9.	Box 31.	10:35 p. m.	Curtis ave.	Wood.	Kingsley & Bates.	Dwelling.	1,500 00	350 00	235 00	55 00	1,200 00	350 00	235 00	55 00	-----	
ALARMS:						Bell.....27 Still.....3 Telephone....1 Thermostat...6 False.....4	\$ 275,100 00	\$ 150,250 00	\$ 5,977 69	\$ 4,175 00	\$ 98,750 00	\$ 95,850 00	\$ 4,325 19	\$ 2,975 00		
Total.....41						Grand total—Building and Personal.	\$ 425,350 00		\$ 10,152 69		\$ 194,600 00		\$ 7,800 19			

matter will not be delayed. I would advise the immediate purchase of 1,500 feet of hose. Repairs on Station 2 are needed which I trust will be attended to in the near future.

To the Honorable City Council I wish to express my thanks for the many favors shown the department. To the officers and members of the department I desire to express my appreciation of their fidelity in the discharge of their duties.

Respectfully,

K. K. HANNUM,

Chief Engineer Fire Department.

Dec. 31st, 1897.

**REPORT OF THE****SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.**

*To the Honorable City Council:—*

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with the law relative to a report from the Superintendent of Schools to your honorable body, I have the honor to transmit herewith the annual report of the Department of Instruction for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897. This report covers the work of sixteen weeks of my occupancy of the office of Superintendent of Schools in the city of Rutland. Consequently I will be brief.

I found the schools in a prosperous condition, but yet they have not reached that point where improvement is impossible. The requirements of business and social life grow more numerous as time goes on. The standard of excellence which would very well have served the general purposes of life in times past are now subject to severe criticism. The number of things about which the average person must become more or less intelligent has greatly increased with the development of science, invention and good government. Especially in a country in which all the people are

privileged and require to take part in the government, must a high grade of intelligence be maintained. All things have tended in these latter days toward a more and more complicated and intense life; and the added burden of preparing the young to act their part with intelligence, skill and honor in this increasing complexity of living rests largely upon the public elementary schools.

My observation is that mental arithmetic has been greatly neglected in our schools but to-day it is given a place on our daily programs. Our wide-awake teachers are developing the best method in reading which we hope at the end of the year will show great improvement. I mention mental arithmetic and reading, not because they are hobbies of my own, but because they are not up to the average.

As to the attendance in our schools I cannot speak very encouragingly. In looking over the weekly absentee blanks sent in by the teachers I am led to believe that the parents are greatly the cause of this irregularity.

It is not necessary for me to explain the evil effects to our schools and to the children, but we cannot make our schools what they should be unless your children are regular in attendance. A good, thorough business man will be at his place of business regularly and on time. Please allow us to teach your children the same important essentials by having them regularly at their desks.

As to the course of study. Change could be made with profit but these will come by necessity.

The department of Stenography and Typewriting has become an important part of the Commercial Department.

The plan adopted by the School Board and placed under the management of the Superintendent of Schools for the graduates of the High School who are intending to teach, to enter our schools as pupil teachers, thereby receiving the actual experience in the presence of skilled teachers, is proving a success. Three of this number, for there are only five, have substituted for teachers who were sick or otherwise absent when paid substitutes would have been necessary had not these been ready for service. To my mind it is more practical than a teacher's course would be as heretofore arranged, unless a two or three years' course was prepared and that at the expense of one or more teachers, and with no available rooms.

It is a pleasure to work with the earnest and efficient body of teachers in the public schools of this city. They are loyal in every relation, and prompt and faithful in every required service. Through all the exhausting labor and somewhat trying details incident to the Superintendency of our schools, the cordial support and wise counsel of our School Board have relieved my anxieties and lightened my labors.

Very sincerely yours,

W. A. FRASIER,

Superintendent of Schools.

Rutland, Vt., Jan. 1, 1898.

REPORT OF THE

**TRUANT OFFICER.**

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*To the Honorable City Council:—*

As Truant Officer I beg leave to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897:

Number of absentees reported, . . .	81
Number of families visited, . . .	79
Number of children supplied with clothing, . . . . .	11

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRISLIN,

Truant Officer.

REPORT OF THE  
**FIRE MARSHAL.**

*To the Honorable City Council:*

The work of your Fire Marshal for the past year has varied but a little from that of previous years; the usual number of inspections have been made, and a steady decrease of fire hazard is noticeable, as fewer notices have been given and fewer complaints have been entertained.

It is a source of gratification that during the past year there has been a substantial decrease in the rates of insurance, the saving amounting to nearly enough to pay the running expenses of your fire department, and one reason for the decrease is, that the public are now convinced that it pays to keep the rubbish cleaned up.

The question of over insurance is still before us, and is bound to work harm. By a careful study of Chief Hannum's very complete report, it will be seen that there were a few fires caused by over insurance, and as suggested in my last report this will continue so long as some of our local insurance agents will insure those who ought to have no insurance, and take risks without proper investigation of the values involved; the business

men have the remedy for this in their own hands —simply by giving their insurance to those who are more conservative, and less careless of results, and which would make the agents realize their way of doing business was not popular.

Action has been brought against one party the past year for violating the ordinances, and a conviction secured, though I believe the Judge has not yet sentenced.

In our last report we called attention to one matter of incendiarism that had not reached a point where we could properly make a full report; claim was made for the insurance on the furniture that was destroyed, and an agent of the insurance company came to adjust and pay the loss, but was prevailed upon to not pay it; had action been brought to recover this money, there is no question that the results would have been against the party insured, and with every prospect of fixing the guilt of the incendiary; no action has thus been brought to recover this, and there will probably be none.

Respectfully,

C. L. ROBINSON,

Fire Marshal.

**REPORT OF THE**

## **INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS.**

*To the Honorable City Council :—*

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with the laws and ordinances of the city, I submit a complete list of the building permits granted from Jan. 1, 1897 to Jan. 1, 1898:

Dwelling houses, . . . . .	30
Additions to dwellings, . . . . .	11
Dwellings repaired, . . . . .	25
Barns built, . . . . .	25
Sheds built, . . . . .	22
Blocks repaired, . . . . .	6
Blocks built, . . . . .	2
Workshops, . . . . .	2
Blacksmith shops, . . . . .	2
Store house, . . . . .	1
Advent chapel, . . . . .	1

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. CLARK,

Inspector of Buildings.

**REPORT OF THE**

## **CITY PHYSICIAN.**

*To the Honorable City Council :—*

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit the following brief report:

There has been a great deal of sickness among the city's poor during the year, which has called for a considerable attention and care but no particular reason, so far as I know, can be given to account for this. The only death was that of a little girl five years of age from diphtheria.

The health of the inmates of the City Farm has been usually good and the sanitary conditions about the place would admit of improvement, but on the whole are fairly good.

There have been no contagious diseases at the City Farm this year but about the usual number of chronic diseases.

There has been but two deaths at the City Farm; both aged people, one from general paralysis and one from septaeccemia.

I wish to thank Overseer Beattie and Mrs. Beattie for the assistance they have given me during the year on cases that have been under my care in the capacity of city physician.

Respectfully,

EDWIN B. DAVIS, M. D.,  
City Physician.

REPORT OF THE  
**BOARD OF HEALTH.**

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*Honorable City Council:—*

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with section 4, chapter XXXV, of the city ordinances, we most respectfully submit this the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1897.

During the year the health of the city has been exceedingly good. No epidemics have occurred. The cases of contagious diseases reported have been scattered over the city and in a great majority of cases the cause has been attributable to the fact that the disease has been brought in from other towns.

The past year has given birth to nothing new in regard to our city water. In the late summer a large percentage of the prisoners at the House of Correction and families living in that section, were attacked with diarrhoea and upon investigation it was found that the main from which the House of Correction received its supply ended within a few feet of where the supply pipes to the institution took their origin, thereby causing a dead end. Upon "blowing off," a large quantity of muddy water would be thrown off, running from 20

minutes to half an hour. According to the suggestion of the Board of Health your Water Commissioner had the pipes "blown off" every other day and the disease ceased. It certainly seems as though there should be a continuation of the main at that point to prevent a recurrence of the attack.

Aside from the trouble referred to no disease traceable to the city water has come to the notice of this department.

SCHOOLS.

In the early part of the school year your health department visited all the school buildings in the city and made an examination of the same as per an order issued by the State Board of Health. The examination was thorough and one that would bring to light all defects.

Your board was particularly impressed by the cleanliness of the school buildings. The criticism of the previous board together with the prompt and intelligent action of the School Commissioner was the means of rectifying any objectionable features.

NUISANCES.

There has been reported a large number of nuisances, and in almost every case it has been justifiable. Dry closets have been the cause of the greatest number of complaints, and in every instance where a sewer was on the street the property owner has been ordered to drain all sewage thereto. Where garbage, etc., has been complained of the offenders have abated the nuisances upon notice from this department. Open sewers have been complained of in several instances

and in two cases, i. e. Oak street and Boulevard, your honorable board has come to the aid of this department by making an appropriation to build and connect the sewers, thereby abating two flagrant nuisances.

## PLUMBING.

All plumbing jobs have been tested with the water test and the work has been done in accordance to the city ordinances.

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

It will be seen by reference to the table that there has been 78 cases of contagious diseases reported in 1897 against 453 cases in 1896. In reviewing the health reports of other cities we find the amount of contagious diseases reported to be less in 1897 than in any year of which there is a record.

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

## DISEASES.

		Male.	Female.	American.	Foreign.	Under 1 yr.	1 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 20.	20 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	Total.	
Accidental,	-	1	1	1									1	2
Anæmic,	-	2	2	2									2	2
Apoplexy,	-	6	8	8									1	5
Appendicitis,	-	1	1	2									1	4
Asphyxia,	-	2	2	2									1	6
Burns,	-	4	1	5									1	5
Bronchitis,	-	3	1	4									1	2
Bright's Disease,	-	1	5	4									1	3
Cancer,	-	1	5	4									1	2
Cholera Infantum,	-	4	1	5									1	2
Cholera,	-	1	1	2									1	2
Convulsions,	-	1	1	2									1	3
Croup, Membraneous,	-	3	2	3									1	2
Diabetes,	-	2	3	5									1	5
Diphtheria,	-	2	3	5									1	17
Disease of Heart,	-	6	11	15	2								1	3
Disease of Liver,	-	3	3	3									1	3

## CITY OF RUTLAND.

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Dropsy,	-	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Fever, Typhoid,	-	4	3	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	7
Gastro Enteritis,	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Hemorrhage,	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	7
Influenza,	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	7
Marasmus,	-	4	3	7	2	1	7	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	5	1
Meningitis, Cerebral and Spinal,	-	1	4	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	1
Measles,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	1
Old Age,	-	6	4	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	10
Paralysis,	-	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	2
Peritonitis,	-	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Pneumonia,	-	4	6	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	10
Result of Sunstroke,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
R. R. Accident,	-	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Still Born,	-	9	7	16	16										16	1
Suicide,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Septicemia,	-	4	4	4	4										4	
Tuberculosis,	-	9	5	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	4	2	1	1	14
Tumor, Ovarian,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tumor, Spine,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Uterine Disease,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Whooping Cough,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total,	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	166

By reference to the table it will be seen that a large percentage of the deaths in the city have been due to tuberculosis. This is as it has been in past years and will be until some means are found to arrest this dreaded malady of man and beast.

There have been 166 deaths in the city and 195 burials. There were removed from the city for burial 57 bodies; there were brought into the city for burial 65 bodies; there were transferred from one cemetery to another 21 bodies. There were buried in Evergreen, 92; in Calvary, 77; in St. Joseph's, 19; at Town Farm, 6 and North Main street, 1. Total, 195.

W. W. TOWNSEND, M. D.,  
Secretary.  
B. F. POLLARD,  
M. S. SAWYER,  
Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE

**CITY JUDGE.**

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*To the Honorable City Council:*

GENTLEMEN:—From December 31st, 1896, to December 31st, 1897, this Court entered judgment in 145 civil cases. On the latter date there were pending 161 civil cases.

The City's profits, arising from the taking, under the provisions of the charter, of the fees allowed by the State to the police officers, amounts to \$275.28. The funds the City derive from this source are large enough to warrant the spending of sufficient money to meet the urgent needs of the City Court room.

Matting should be laid from the entrance of the Court room to the entrance of the Police Headquarters and means taken to remedy the vexatious acoustic defects of the room. The ventilation is also very bad. All of these suggestions could be carried out at a small expense, and once more I ask that these improvements be made without further delay.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MERRILL, Judge.

REPORT OF THE  
**CITY ATTORNEY.**

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*To the Honorable City Council:—*

Since my acceptance of the office of City Attorney, in the latter part of August, 1897, such part of my time as it has been necessary to devote to the discharge of its duties, has been principally occupied with what might be called the routine duties. I have attended the meetings of the Board of Aldermen when so directed; attended upon the officials of the city in their deliberations whenever my services were required; spent considerable time in levying for collection of back taxes; and performed those duties as to advice and consultation required by the ordinances. I have brought one prosecution for violation of the building ordinances of the city, and one suit before a justice to recover for moneys paid by the Overseer of the Poor, both of which are still pending. Beside the services necessary to protect the interest of the city in its pending litigation in the higher Courts, two actions have been tried, one resulting in a judgment in favor of, and one against the city.

Following is the pending litigation in which the city is interested so far as known to me:

**GRANT v. CITY.**

Rutland County Court. Action for injuries caused by sewage in Moon brook. Continued at September term.

**RYAN v. HOWARD.**

Rutland County Court. Plaintiff a pauper. Heard at September term, 1897. Judgment for plaintiff for \$175 and costs. Defendant in jail for failure to find sureties.

**BATEMAN v. CITY.**

Rutland County Court. Action for injuries caused by defective sewer. Jury trial September term. Judgment for plaintiff for \$500 and costs. Exceptions by defendant. Passed to Supreme Court.

**CITY v. SEWARD.**

Rutland County Court. Action for transporting a pauper into the city. Continued at September term.

**CITY v. CHITTENDEN.**

Rutland County Court. Action for supporting a pauper. Continued at September term.

**TUCKER v. TUCKER.**

Rutland County Court. Action for divorce. Defendant a pauper. Continued at September term.

**CITY v. STIMSON.**

In Chancery, Rutland County. Bill to prevent obstruction of Nichols street. Continued at September term.

**CITY V. RIPLEY.**

In Chancery, Rutland County. Bill to prevent pollution of water supply. Continued at September term.

**DAVIS V. CITY.**

In Chancery, Rutland County. Bill to prevent discharge of sewage into Moon Brook. Continued at September term.

**FRENIER & LEBLANC V. CITY.**

In Chancery, Rutland County. Bill to prevent discharge of sewage into Tenny Brook. Continued at September term.

**HOWLEY V. HOWLEY.**

Franklin County Court. Action to amend a marriage. Defendant a pauper. Continued at September term.

**PRATT V. PRATT.**

Windsor County Court. Action of divorce. Defendant a pauper. Not yet disposed of for December term.

**BRAGG V. CITY.**

Supreme Court. Pending on exceptions to judgment against city for damages for obstructing private drain. Continued at October term.

As the policy of this litigation is entirely controlled by the City Council, your attorney does not see fit to make any recommendation in respect thereto, or to express any opinion in respect to the causes for which this class of litigation arises.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. HOWE,  
City Attorney.

**REPORT OF THE****CHIEF OF POLICE.**

*To the Honorable City Council:—*

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to herewith submit to your Honorable Board my report as Chief of Police for the year ending January 1, 1898.

Your police force consists of one Chief of Police, 3 regular police officers, 29 special police officers who are subject to call when occasion requires and are expected to take care of their respective wards and localities.

**ARRESTS BY POLICE OFFICERS.**

Whole number of arrests, . . . . .	118
Males, . . . . .	117
Females, . . . . .	1

**CAUSES OF ARREST.**

The various causes for the arrest and detention, and for which the several delinquents were subsequently arraigned, were as follows:

Intoxication, . . . . .	47
Selling and keeping intoxicating liquor with intent to sell, . . . . .	30
Breach of the peace, . . . . .	16
Petty larceny, . . . . .	5
Grand larceny, . . . . .	3
Burglary, . . . . .	4
Refusing to pay R. R. fare, . . . . .	4
Tramping, . . . . .	6
Defrauding hotel keeper, . . . . .	1
Receiving stolen goods, . . . . .	1
Arson, . . . . .	1
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Total, . . . . .	118

## INVENTORY OF POLICE PROPERTY.

- 1 Roll-top desk.
- 2 Record books.
- 2 Tables.
- 6 Splint bottom chairs.
- 6 Mattresses.
- 4 Pair hand-cuffs.
- 5 Police billies.
- 5 Regular police badges.
- 22 Special police badges.
- 5 Police caps.
- 6 Police helmets.
- 6 Police Twisters.
- 1 Hand broom.
- 1 Feather duster.
- 1 Mop.
- 2 Slop pails.
- 8 Cupidors, china.
- 1 Snow shovel.
- 6 Uniform overcoats.

## PROTECTION OF PROPERTY.

In fourteen cases goods have been found by the officers on the sidewalks outside of our city stores, after these stores were closed for the night; were returned to the owners.

The front doors of stores have been discovered unlocked in 27 cases and the back doors have been discovered in a like condition in 25 cases, and in each case the proprietors have been promptly notified of their neglect and their places of business secured.

## OUR POLICE FORCE.

During the past year our police force has been greatly reduced from the number of the force in former years.

Arrests and prosecutions for the several crimes and misdemeanors have, to all appearances, decreased in like proportion. Whether this is due to the diligence and efficiency of the police officers or to the reformation of the criminal classes, is left for you to draw your own conclusions.

Perhaps I should be remiss in my duty if I did not, as has been done in former years by my predecessors, call your attention to the fact that the force ought to be increased by two or more men to patrol the outside wards more than we have been able to do for the past year.

One man does very well in the daytime, but the two night men are liable to get lost during the evening and fore part of the night when the crowds are out for a breathing spell.

I would also recommend placing a long distance telephone in the police station, if arrangements could be made to have one officer at the station at all times, it would assist very materially in apprehending criminals.

Our police station is now in a very good and suitable condition for the comfort of the officers, and for the detention of those who are under their special care.

To our regular and special police officers I wish to return my thanks for their ever prompt and ready assistance in suppressing disturbances and crime of all kinds and the arrest and conviction of evil doers.

Respectfully submitted,

N. S. STEARNS,

Chief of Police.

#### REPORT OF THE

## OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

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*To the Honorable City Council:*

GENTLEMEN:—Complying with the requirements of the city ordinances, I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1897. My report, as in previous years, states the number of persons assisted, their names and nationalities and the amount of assistance received by each, as required by the ordinances.

#### THE INSANE POOR.

Four persons have been committed to insane asylums at the expense of the city, being three less than the previous year. Their names, nationalities and ages are as follows:

NAMES.	NATIONALITIES.	AGES.
John Merriam.....	American .....	40
Stephen M. Heath.....	American .....	38
John Howley.....	Irish .....	28
Peter Poulin.....	French.....	36

Merriam and Howley were committed to the Waterbury asylum and Heath and Poulin to the Brattleboro retreat.

NAMES, NATIONALITIES AND AGES OF INMATES AT  
THE CITY FARM, JANUARY 1, 1898.

NAMES.	NATIONALITIES.	AGES.
John Sullivan.....	Irish.....	73
Elmer Bond.....	American.....	24
Benjamin Ellis.....	American.....	9
Albert Farmer.....	American.....	7
David Dugan.....	Irish.....	70
Frank Danslo.....	French.....	30
Charles Hercht.....	German.....	70
Allen Taylor.....	American.....	29
Walter O. Osborn.....	English.....	43
John Waters.....	Irish.....	10
Mrs. Martin Daughan.....	Irish.....	91
Mrs. Ann Harrigan.....	Irish.....	64
Mrs. George Ellis.....	American.....	35
Mrs. John Corbett.....	Irish.....	71
Mrs. Mary J. Taylor.....	Colored American.....	81
Miss Sarah Ellis.....	American.....	13
Mrs. Henry Tucker.....	American.....	25
Miss Mary Tucker.....	American.....	8
Miss Grace Tucker.....	American.....	9 mos.
Mrs. James Cusick.....	Irish.....	70
Mrs. Stephen Reynolds.....	American.....	57
Mable Litchfield.....	American.....	2
James Traynor.....	Irish.....	40

NAMES, NATIONALITIES AND AGES OF THOSE WHO  
HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED FROM JANUARY 1,  
1897, TO JANUARY 1, 1898, TOGETHER  
WITH REASONS FOR DISCHARGE.

NAMES.	AGES.	NATION-ALITIES.	REASON FOR DISCHARGE
Isaac Gibson.....	76	American	Went to Odd Fellows' Home.
Charles Lumbard.....	50	American	Went to Troy, N. Y.
Lulu Wickham.....	19	American	Went to Orange, N. J.
Elsa Anna Wickham.....	7 m	American	Went to Orange, N. J.
Virginia Knuckles.....	22	American	Went to Orange, N. J.
Mrs. Ellen Samson.....	67	Irish.....	Lives with children.
Mrs. Emily La Clair.....	48	French ..	Went to No. Adams, Mass.
John W. Blanchard.....	30	American	Went to Keene, N. H.
Mrs. John W. Blanchard.....	28	American	Went to Keene, N. H.
Florence Blanchard.....	3 m	American	Went to Keene, N. H.
Richard D. Kelliher.....	26	American	Found work.
Mrs. Herbert Kenney....	26	American	Went home.
Mary Kenney.....	8	American	Went home.
Bertie Kenney.....	6	American	Went home.
George Kenney.....	4	American	Went home.
William Wilson.....	35	Colored	Went to Worcester, Mass.
Alexander Gordon.....	30	American	Went to live with his mother.

There have been three deaths during the year at the City Farm, as follows:

NAMES.	NATIONALITIES.	AGES.
Mrs. Isaac Lewis.....	American .....	58
Mrs. John O'Donnell.....	Irish.....	72
Mrs. Milow Bowen.....	American .....	76

Five deaths occurred outside the City Farm, where the expense of burial was paid by the city, as follows:

NAMES.	NATIONALITIES.	AGES.
Fred Laramore's child .....	French-American .....	4
Mrs. T. M. Jasmine's boy .....	French-American .....	6
Mrs. William P. Foster.....	American .....	60
William Knipes' girl .....	American .....	8
Pascal Drown's boy .....	American .....	1 day.

The number of inmates at the City Farm, January 1, 1898, was 23, as against 28, January 1, 1897. The average number of inmates in 1897 was 32, as against 36 the year previous. The deaths at the City Farm were 3, the same as in 1896. The deaths outside the City Farm, where the city paid the expense of burial, were 5, the same as the previous year.

#### MONEY COLLECTED AND PAID INTO CITY TREASURY.

I have collected and paid into the City Treasury as follows:—

Two calves sold from City Farm.....	\$ 17 65
Two cows sold from City Farm.....	65 00
From Frank V. Dunklee for rent of H. B. Reed property.....	85 00
From Mrs. James Cusic for board.....	20 00
From the Odd Fellows for board of Isaac Gibson....	60 00
Board at City Farm.....	7 00
From town of Bridport for Marshal Broughton's family .....	87 12
From town of Bridport for Marshal Broughton, cost on law suit.....	6 81
From town of Rochester for Elwin Tabor and family	26 35
From R. R. tickets of Charles Lombard.....	2 49
From City of St. Albans, shoes for Pascal Drown's children .....	6 50
From City of St. Albans for J. A. Woodward and Wm. Burns.....	2 35
From town of Castleton for John Howley .....	15 00
Total.....	\$ 401 27

I have also received \$29.50 from town of Castleton and paid it out as follows:—

To Dr. J. D. Hanrahan for medical services for John Howley.....	\$ 15 00
To Dr. E. B. Davis, examination of John Howley...	5 00
To Probate Court, order of removal, John Howley...	5 50
To John W. Brislin for board of John Howley.....	4 00
Total.....	\$ 29 50

I have also received from town of Rochester \$3.00 and paid it to Miss V. C. Terrill for care of Mrs. Elwin Tabor.

There are claims due the City of Rutland as follows:—

From town of Proctor, for Mary Malone.....	\$ 4 00
From town of Proctor for Fred Laramore.....	25 63
From town of Proctor for Dennis A. Martin.....	5 00
From town of Proctor for Lewis Yando .....	5 00
From town of Brandon for F. W. Thornton.....	23 00
From town of Brandon for Joseph Lepp.....	18 00
From town of Orwell or Middlebury for Jennie Cook and son .....	134 59
From City of St. Albans for burial of Pascal Drown's boy.....	9 50
From town of Shrewsbury for Stephen Lewis.....	5 00
From town of Shrewsbury for Mrs. Charles Holden..	5 00
From City of St. Albans for William Burns.....	5 00
From City of St. Albans for Mrs. James Howley....	210 00
From town of West Rutland for William Elliot.....	33 85
From town of West Rutland for Michael Gleason....	54 90
From town of West Rutland for Edward Breen.....	10 00
From town of Rutland for Mrs. Dennis O'Neil.....	3 50
From town of Rutland for Mrs. Henry Tucker's two children.....	251 52
From town of Chittenden for Mrs. Mary Rivers....	26 97
From town of Chittenden for Mrs. Julia Trombley...	817 48
From town of Mendon for George Dursha.....	5 00
From town of Mendon for Stephen Reynolds.....	330 00
From John C. Shippy, cow pasturing.....	30 00
From Theodore Southard, cow pasturing.....	10 00
From Michael Cain, Jr., cow pasturing.....	10 00
From Jewett P. Cain, guardian Kittie Fagan, board.	6 00

In regard to these claims I make the same recommendation as to collection as made in my last report to which I refer.

During the last year suit was brought against Bridport and payment collected. Suits are now pending for bills due the City against the towns of Rutland, West Rutland and Chittenden, and are in charge of the City Attorney.

#### COST OF THE POOR.

The total expense during the year shown by each month is as follows:—

January.....	\$ 948 37
February.....	1,039 41
March.....	891 61
April.....	704 26
May.....	546 31
June.....	470 20
July.....	422 37
August.....	465 90
September.....	380 48
October.....	434 53
November.....	422 02
December.....	561 61
Total.....	<u>\$7,287 07</u>

This is divided as follows:—

Poor not at City Farm.....	\$4,012 84
Poor at City Farm.....	2,674 23
Salary of Overseer.....	600 00
	<u>\$7,287 07</u>

The expense of outside poor is \$688.48 less than in 1896, and of the city farm \$419.15 less than in 1896. The total expenses are \$1,107.63 less than in 1896.

From these expenses, however, there should be deducted \$401.27 which has been collected and paid

into the City Treasury, as before shown, being in part re-imbursement of expenses included in my summary, or in the summary of previous years.

Names, number in family, nationalities and amount of assistance received by poor outside the city farm:

NAMES.	No.	Nationalities.	Amount.
L. H. Austin.....	1	French .....	\$ 81 20
Mrs. John Brislin.....	1	Irish .....	10 00
Mrs. Alex. Bashaw.....	4	American .....	52 00
Mrs. A. A. Blanchard.....	1	American .....	19 50
J. F. Bishop.....	2	American .....	27 50
Mrs. James Barry.....	8	American .....	20 30
Peter Butler.....	3	American .....	55 50
Mrs. Marshal Broughton.....	2	American .....	76 54
Hudson Burns.....	5	American .....	6 00
William Burns.....	3	American .....	6 90
Patrick Brown.....	2	Irish .....	6 00
George Brown.....	1	American .....	5 50
John Brown.....	5	French .....	1 90
J. W. Blanchard.....	3	American .....	5 60
Mrs. D. J. Cocklin.....	1	Irish .....	38 00
Gershom Cheney.....	1	American .....	16 00
John B. Calkins.....	5	American .....	9 25
Mrs. W. F. Cook.....	6	American .....	27 00
Mrs. Verne Clark.....	3	American .....	10 00
Patrick Casey.....	2	Irish .....	23 00
Mrs. Ellen Cronan.....	2	Irish .....	43 30
Mrs. E. H. Caswell.....	2	American .....	11 25
C. A. Cooper.....	1	American .....	75
Mrs. Ellen Donovan.....	2	Irish .....	124 50
Mrs. Julia A. Dewey.....	1	Irish .....	33 50
Mrs. William Devers.....	10	Irish .....	89 50
Mrs. Rose Doyle.....	1	Irish .....	44 00
Nichols Direct.....	3	Italian .....	9 00
Lawernce Dunlap.....	4	American .....	18 00
Edward Dominy.....	3	American .....	8 00
Mrs. Dodge.....	1	American .....	75
William H. Downs.....	1	American .....	9 00
Daniel Doolan.....	5	American .....	5 00
Henry Dunkin.....	1	Scotch .....	72
Edwin Eaton.....	2	American .....	95 50
Mrs. Charles Enslow.....	3	American .....	30 00
William Elliot.....	4	American .....	1 55
William P. Foster.....	2	American .....	83 50
Fred Foster.....	5	American .....	16 00
Charles H. Flanders.....	1	American .....	3 00
William H. Foster.....	7	American .....	5 00
Edward Fain.....	1	Irish .....	3 00
Mrs. John W. Gardner.....	1	French .....	40 00
Mrs. Alice Griffin.....	1	Irish .....	19 00
Ruel B. Gary .....	1	American .....	5 50

NAMES.	No.	Nationalities.	Amount.
Michael Gilman.....	1.....	French.....	\$ 6 25
Lee Gilman.....	5.....	French.....	8 00
George Gates.....	2.....	American.....	5 00
D. A. Hilliard.....	2.....	American.....	285 73
Mrs. John Hanley.....	5.....	American.....	90 00
William Hinkley.....	5.....	American.....	24 00
Mrs. Hanna Heath.....	2.....	American.....	24 50
Mrs. Charles Holden.....	4.....	American.....	5 00
Mrs. Nellie Hubbard.....	1.....	American.....	6 00
James A. Hinkley.....	4.....	American.....	5 00
Thomas Joyce.....	1.....	Scotch.....	5 50
Mrs. T. M. Jasmine.....	8.....	French.....	184 28
Mrs. William Knipes.....	5.....	American.....	40 50
Herbert Kinney.....	5.....	American.....	3 98
Virginia Knuckles.....	1.....	Colored Amr.	9 00
Mrs. Michael Lyons.....	6.....	American.....	124 50
Francis Lique.....	2.....	French.....	36 00
Joseph Lique.....	7.....	French.....	39 28
Stephen Lewis.....	3.....	American.....	5 00
Alba Lamphier.....	5.....	American.....	14 00
Edward Lamb.....	7.....	American.....	31 00
Mrs. Prosper Lorette.....	2.....	French.....	66 00
George Laramonda.....	2.....	French.....	5 00
Joseph Lapan.....	2.....	French.....	70 50
Mrs. George Lardner.....	3.....	Irish.....	87 50
Mrs. Lucy LaRock.....	1.....	French.....	16 42
Mrs. Patrick Laskey.....	3.....	American.....	10 00
Fred Laramore.....	7.....	French.....	25 63
Joseph Lepp.....	7.....	French.....	18 00
John Lloyd.....	3.....	Irish.....	37 10
George Mossey.....	3.....	French.....	12 00
Mrs. Stephen Maher.....	4.....	American.....	40 00
Dennis A. Martin.....	5.....	American.....	5 00
Mrs. Thomas McGettrick.....	1.....	Irish.....	71 00
Thomas F. Maher.....	1.....	Irish.....	10 00
John Merriam.....	2.....	American.....	42 31
Charles Mailhot.....	7.....	American.....	28 00
Mrs. Terrence McLaughlin.....	6.....	American.....	30 00
John Mossey.....	2.....	French.....	2 50
Joseph Miller.....	1.....	American.....	6 75
Mrs. Mattie Nutting.....	3.....	American.....	66 50
Dennis O'Shea.....	7.....	Irish.....	27 00
Tim O'Mara.....	2.....	Irish.....	8 00
Mrs. W. O. Osborn.....	3.....	American.....	20 00
Jerry Perkins.....	3.....	American.....	28 00
Mrs. Douglas Potter.....	3.....	American.....	23 00
Frank Poro.....	6.....	American.....	15 41
Mrs. Addie Page.....	5.....	American.....	28 00
Mrs. Jacob Page.....	2.....	American.....	24 00
Mrs. Napoleon Porter.....	7.....	American.....	133 65
Charles M. Parsons.....	2.....	American.....	16 00
H. R. Perkins.....	1.....	American.....	1 50
Mrs. M. E. Pratt.....	1.....	American.....	36 50
Arthur A. Perkins.....	2.....	American.....	5 00
Mrs. John Rafferty.....	4.....	Irish.....	60 50

NAMES.	No.	Nationalities.	Amount.
Mrs. Julia M. Rogers.....	3.....	American.....	\$ 20 00
Gideon Reed.....	3.....	American.....	18 00
Mrs. John Rice.....	6.....	American.....	24 00
Andrew Robillard.....	8.....	French.....	30 00
Mrs. Amelia Rice.....	1.....	American.....	10 00
Mrs. M. J. Race.....	3.....	American.....	36 00
Alfred Rousseau.....	8.....	French.....	3 75
Mrs. H. B. Reed.....	1.....	American.....	33 00
George W. Shelburn.....	3.....	American.....	97 50
Joseph Shortsleaves.....	4.....	French.....	41 50
Michael Sherman.....	6.....	French.....	16 25
Joseph St. Lawrence.....	2.....	French.....	15 00
Mrs. Ellen Sammon.....	1.....	Irish.....	3 00
Mrs. L. A. Smith.....	1.....	American.....	13 78
Thomas Tennian.....	4.....	American.....	3 00
Mrs. Joseph Tatreau.....	3.....	American.....	24 00
Elwin Tabor.....	3.....	American.....	20 00
F. W. Thorenton.....	4.....	American.....	22 00
James Traynor.....	1.....	Irish.....	16 00
Mrs. W. O. Tower.....	1.....	American.....	8 00
Mrs. Cato Williams.....	1.....	Colored Amr.	71 50
Charles L. Williams.....	2.....	Colored Amr.	2 00
Michael Waters.....	3.....	Irish.....	42 00
William Wilson.....	1.....	Colored Amr.	119 93
John Winters.....	4.....	American.....	14 00
Maria Williams.....	1.....	American.....	5 00
Charles Wilson.....	5.....	American.....	5 00
Lulu Wickham.....	2.....	Colored Amr.	6 26
Mrs. Joseph Yando.....	4.....	French.....	111 50
Lewis Yando.....	6.....	French.....	5 00
Total .....	413		

This is one less person than in 1896.

There are some persons who have been helped by me and who have been in urgent need of assistance, that have been abandoned by those who ought to support them. I have brought such cases to the attention of the City Attorney and other officials, and I hope some of my expenses on account of assisting them will be re-imbur sed.

The City farm property is in good condition, except that the new part and the barns ought to be painted and will depreciate greatly if not attended to.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BEATTIE,

Overseer of the Poor.

STATE OF VERMONT,  
RUTLAND COUNTY, ss.

On this 24th day of January, A. D., 1898, personally appeared James Beattie and made oath to the truth of the foregoing report.

Before me,

EDWARD DANA,

Notary Public.

#### REPORT OF THE

## CITY LIQUOR AGENT.

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*To the Honorable City Council:*

The City Liquor Agent submits this report for the business done by him during the year ending December 31st, 1897:

January, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	\$ 572 71
February, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	571 81
March, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	776 20
April, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	726 38
May, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	719 38
June, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	826 41
July, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	761 32
August, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	753 51
September, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	735 32
October, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	705 13
November, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	611 83
December, to cash for liquor sales, . . . . .	722 60

To cash for casks, . . . .	\$ 40 00
To liquors on hand January 1st, 1898, . . . .	1,909 74
By liquors on hand January 1st, 1897, . . . .	\$ 2,147 41
By liquors received of City, . . . .	6,228 73
By salary, rent, fuel, light, freight, etc., . . . .	1,209 59
By balance profit, . . . .	847 11
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	\$ 10,432 84 \$ 10,432 84

To cash due city January 1st, 1897, . . . .	\$ 125 23
To cash for liquors, . . . .	8,483 10
To cash for casks, . . . .	40 00
By paid City Treasurer, . . . .	\$ 8,600 00
By cash due City January 1st, 1898, . . . .	48 33
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	\$ 8,648 33 \$ 8,648 33

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To liquors on hand January 1st, 1897, . . . .	\$ 2,147 41
To liquors received of City, . . . .	6,228 73
To salary, rent, fuel, light, freight, etc., . . . .	1,209 59
To balance profit, . . . .	847 11
By cash for liquor and casks, . . . .	\$ 8,523 10
By liquors on hand January 1st, 1898, . . . .	1,909 74
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	\$10,432 84 \$10,432 84

Respectfully,

EDGAR H. WOOD, Agent.

## DETAILED STATEMENT

BY THE

## COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

## General Account.

No.	Amount.
5345 Attorneys for Mary J. Lynch, settlement of Lynch case.....	\$ 1207 11
5351 H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	2 95
5355 H. C. Durkee & Co., supplies for City hall.....	82
5356 Duffy & Clifford, coal, City and Memorial hall.	98 25
5359 New England Telephone and Tel. Co., use of telephone.....	7 00
5361 Sidney Smith, salary in part, as engineer, Jan'y	20 35
5371 James J. Fay, making record books, etc.....	20 50
5372 The Tuttle Co., office supplies.....	2 25
5373 G. H. Cleaveland, repairs at City Hall.....	7 74
5424 S. E. Burnham, insurance.....	10 00
5425 Frank Conniff, work and supplies.....	40 98
5426 The Heliotype Printing Co., illustrations for annual report.....	93 75
5430 A. C. Grover, salary in part as transitman, Dec. and Jan'y.....	27 00
5431 W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Dec. and Jan'y.....	30 00
5432 L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, Dec. and Jan'y.....	67 00

No.		Amount.
5433	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Dec. and Jan'y.....	\$ 25 25
5440	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	4 65
5449	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg. Co., labor and supplies.....	5 10
5450	Dunn Bros. & Co., supplies for Memorial Hall.....	3 45
5457	John Welch, coal for City and Memorial Halls.....	34 50
5458	Duffy & Clifford, coal for City Hall.....	51 75
5459	Geo. E. Pelton, printing annual report and check lists.....	491 67
5460	James Carruthers, printing ballots.....	65 00
5461	P. F. McManus, legal services, 1896 .....	484 03
5462	The Herald, publishing election warning.....	4 50
5463	Dr. Geo. H. Fox, filing birth and death certificates.....	4 15
5464	Barney Devine, filing 7 burial permits.....	1 75
5496	Dr. H. L. Newell, filing birth and death certificates.....	7 25
5497	W. L. Davis, paid for stamps, etc.....	8 25
5498	H. B. Whittier, registration fees, paid for stamps, etc.....	51 21
5517	Pay roll, annual election.....	223 25
5521	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, March.....	3 50
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, March.....	17 50
5531	Dunn Bros., supplies for Memorial Hall.....	6 40
5533	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of telephone.....	7 00
5539	Duffy & Clifford, coal for Hall.....	46 00
5543	A. W. Edson, wood.....	2 00
5544	The Tuttle Company, printing election placards.....	32 50
5545	Dr. W. M. Stearns, issuing 44 permits.....	10 50
5546	The Herald, publishing ordinance amendments.....	93 75
5547	G. E. Pelton, printing receipts, etc.....	10 25
5548	The Rutland Times, publishing notices.....	7 25
5549	E. H. Wood, repairs on Reed place.....	7 39
5550	J. J. Fay, binding City reports.....	32 00
5551	H. A. Sawyer & Co , office supplies.....	1 30
5552	G. E. Chalmers, supplies for engineer's office..	10 10
5553	F. L. Clark, serving and posting notices.....	24 70
5554	Felix F. Daus, duplicator for engineer's office.	2 25
5555	Geo. H. Cleaveland, placing election booths...	21 25
5556	Bardwell House stable, team for election day..	3 00
5556	James Dailey, filing burial permits.....	5 75
5558	Barney Devine, filing burial permits.....	1 25
5559	Dr. J. J. Trudel, filing birth certificates.....	90

## CITY OF RUTLAND.

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No.		Amount.
5600	H. B. Whittier, paid for stamps, etc.....	\$ 5 40
5603	W. L. Davis, paid for stamps, etc.....	4 25
5617	Geo. E. Pelton, requisition books, order blanks, etc.....	20 00
5618	John Welch, coal for Memorial Hall.....	11 50
5619	F. F. Pistole, canvassing for assessor.....	8 26
5620	The Rutland Times, assessors' blanks and placards, etc.....	10 25
5627	The Tuttle Co., blank books, bonds, etc.....	5 88
5639	F. P. Robinson, coal for Memorial Hall.....	5 75
5640	H. A. Sawyer & Co., rubber stamps, copy books, etc.....	7 35
5648	H. F. Noyes, wood for election polling booths.	2 00
5654	M. A. Bourne, coal for halls.....	17 25
5655	John Welch, coal for City Hall.....	11 50
5656	Barney Devine, returning burial permits.....	2 50
5657	The Herald, publishing election results.....	5 83
5656	Watchman Pub. Co., special printing on inventories.....	5 00
5659	Edw. Langlois, canvassing for assessors.....	8 14
5660	J. H. Pennington, canvassing for assessors.....	7 92
5661	Geo. R. Massey, canvassing for assessors.....	9 96
5662	M. D. L. Pettingill, canvassing for assessors..	4 86
5663	M. G. McCormack, canvassing for assessors...	14 32
5664	Thos. F. King, canvassing for assessors.....	3 80
5665	E. H. Thomas, canvassing for assessors.....	4 38
5698	H. B. Whittier, making returns to State Supt. Schools, and paid for stamps, etc.....	29 40
5709	Pay roll, 3 weeks ending June 5th.....	99 25
5716	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, May....	2 00
5717	W. C. Landon, lawn mower.....	4 00
5718	H. F. Noyes, wood for City Hall.....	2 00
5719	The Tuttle Co., printing and supplies.....	11 60
5723	Pierce & Billings, glass, putty, etc.....	85
5725	M. A. Bourne, coal.....	10 48
5734	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	4 07
5743	The Herald, publishing proposals.....	9 40
5744	The Globe Company, index cards.....	1 50
5745	Smith Premier Typewriter Co., typewriter and attachments.....	105 00
5746	Barney Devine, returning 18 burial permits...	4 50
5747	Commercial Printing Co., letter heads and envelopes.....	14 00
5748	Bardwell House stable, teams for assessors....	9 00
5749	Kolesch & Co., supplies for engineer's office...	2 10
5750	L. W. Avery, license rebate.....	3 00

No.		Amount.
5751	H. F. Field, State Treasurer, State School and State Highway Taxes.....	\$ 8586 36
5785	W. L. Davis, paid express.....	50
5786	H. B. Whittier, paid for stamps, etc.....	11 20
5794	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending June 19.....	50 00
5795	L. G. Kingsley, floor brush.....	2 25
5798	H. B. Whittier, paid for stamps, etc.....	2 85
5805	C. L. Howe, legal services.....	33 00
5806	James Dailey, returning burial permits.....	7 00
5807	J. J. Fay, record book.....	7 00
5808	Library Bureau, index cards ..	36 00
5822	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 3.....	31 90
5825	Pay roll, school election officers.....	77 00
5827	W. C. Landon, seed for park.....	1 00
5831	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	2 59
5837	Dunn Bros. & Co., sprinkler and mop.....	1 00
5859	P. F. McManus, legal services.....	259 50
5860	J. A. Merrill, City Judge, costs, etc., City Court cases.....	102 74
5861	T. C. Elworth, police officer, keeping and assistance City Court cases.....	24 75
5862	J. H. Mercier, police officer, keeping and assistance.....	7 00
5863	J. P. Clifford, police officer, keeping and assistance.....	10 50
5864	E. M. Knox, police officer, keeping and assistance.....	12 50
5865	J. F. Smith, police officer, keeping and assistance.....	5 00
5866	J. O. Hewitt, police officer, keeping and assistance ..	3 00
5867	B. M. Hughes, police officer, keeping and assistance.....	1 00
5868	F. L. Clark, constable, costs, A. L. Hall's taxes	14 28
5869	G. H. Cleaveland, placing polling booths for school election.....	7 85
5870	Kolesch & Co., supplies for engineer's office...	1 85
5894	W. L. Davis, paid for stamps.....	2 25
5904	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 17.....	6 00
5905	G. H. Channell, Mgr., use of stoves, etc., election.....	7 55
5910	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of telephone.....	7 00
5911	S. E. Burnham, insurance, City Hall.....	95 00
5922	L. G. Kingsley, duster.....	1 25
5943	H. F. Field, State Treasurer, county tax.....	858 63
5944	The Herald, publishing notices.....	2 30

No.		Amount.
5945	Barney Devine, returning burial permits.....	\$ 1 25
5946	Clarence Fuller, tax rebate.....	4 21
5947	F. W. Gary, supplies for City Hall.....	60
5948	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	1 10
5973	H. B. Whittier, paid for stamps, etc.....	3 39
5980	W. L. Davis, paid for stamps.....	4 00
5981	The Tuttle Co., ballots, placards, etc.....	9 52
5982	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Aug. 14.....	30 30
5984	J. R. Bates, making up tax book.....	54 00
5997	Dunn Bros. & Co., mop and broom.....	85
6000	L. G. Kingsley, floor brush and emery.....	2 45
6013	S. E. Burnham, insurance.....	47 50
6014	W. A. Clark, insurance.....	17 60
6015	R. M. Spaulding, burying horse.....	5 00
6016	Carruthers Printing Co., envelopes.....	2 10
6017	F. L. Clark, delivering ballots, posting and serving notices.....	17 25
6018	Tracy & Moran, repairing closets.....	4 75
6021	E. D. Keyes & Co., Bon Ami.....	20
6040	W. L. Davis, paid for stamps, etc.....	4 25
6042	H. B. Whittier, for indexing and paid for stamps, etc.....	77 55
6059	The Tuttle Company, printing.....	19 95
6060	The Herald, publishing tax advertisement.....	14 57
6061	J. C. Edwards, lettering Treasurer's office....	3 00
6062	Vermont Mutual Fire Ins. Co., insurance.....	15 04
6063	J. H. Pennington, posting tax notices.....	2 00
6064	James Dailey, returning burial permits.....	6 25
6065	Barney Devine, returning burial permits.....	2 00
6075	E. D. Keyes & Co., soap.....	17
6077	Lincoln Iron Works, gachets.....	10
6078	W. C. Landon, repairs for lawn mower.....	2 75
6079	Dunn Bros. & Co., funnel.....	1 25
6123	H. B. Whittier, paid witness fees, Bateman case, and for indexing, etc.....	85 37
6130	Tax rebates, list of 1897.....	62 50
6133	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of telephone.....	7 00
6135	A. R. Stearns, repairing chairs.....	3 10
6139	M. J. Francisco & Son, insurance.....	212 00
6151	Vermont Marble Co., coal, Memorial and City Halls.....	37 02
6164	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies.....	2 25
6177	Barney Devine, returning burial permits.....	3 75
6178	Library Bureau, index cards.....	39 97
6179	The Tuttle Co., office supplies.....	1 45
6180	W. L. Noyes, painting cannon carriages.....	9 00

No.		Amount.
6181	E. A. Valquette, time and fees, Bateman case.	\$ 15 00
6182	E. C. Smith, time and fees, Bateman case.....	15 00
6183	Times Pub. Co., publishing notices.....	4 00
6184	H. F. Field, State Treasurer, State tax.....	8550 80
6185	F. L. Clark, constable, tax abatements, 1894-5-6-7.....	183 46
6193	W. L. Davis, clerk hire, stamps, etc.....	29 00
6194	H. B. Whittier, indexing, and paid for stamps, etc.....	35 48
6202	Dr. C. M. Marstin, returning birth and death certificates.....	14 50
6204	Tax rebates, list of 1897.....	13 50
6210	Dr. W. M. Stearns, attendance, etc., Bateman case.....	50 00
6211	Dr. C. S. Caverly, balance of bill for attend- ance Bateman case.....	2 15
6212	Dr. O. J. Gilchrist, returning birth and death certificates .....	2 40
6213	Carruthers Printing Co., receipts and notices for constable.....	6 25
6214	W. L. Davis, paid two school bonds.....	2000 00
6215	J. J. Fay, making constable's tax book.....	3 50
6237	L. G. Kingsley, glass, etc.....	1 35
6240	H. A. Sawyer & Co., office supplies .....	3 01
6254	F. L. Clark, constable, tax abatements, 1897....	104 28
6255	Rev. N. Proulx, returning burial permits.....	5 75
6261	Will L. Davis, paid for stamps, etc.....	2 75
6262	H. B. Whittier, indexing and paid for stamps, etc.....	34 65
6274	N. S. Stearns, balance of fees in Bateman case	22 12
6276	F. L. Clark, constable, tax abatements and fees, list of 1897.....	62 73
6282	The Herald, publishing advertisement.....	97
6283	Pierce & Billings, snow shovels.....	70
6286	E. D. Keyes & Co., gold dust.....	20
6298	L. G. Kingsley, 1 duster.....	1 35
6299	E. E. Crawford, Agt., freight on index case....	51
6300	Dr. W. N. Stearns, examination of insane per- sons.....	10 00
6301	Keuffel & Esser Co., drawing paper.....	2 21
6302	Tracy & Moran, repairs at City Hall.....	3 15
6303	James Dailey, returning burial certificates....	6 25
6304	Barney Devine, returning burial certificates...	2 00
6309	W. L. Davis, paid express.....	35
6310	H. B. Whittier, indexing and paid for stamps, etc.....	35 51

No.		Amount.
6312	Dr. W. W. Townsend, examination of insane person.....	\$ 5 00
6316	W. L. Davis, City Treasurer, paid school bond No. 10.....	1000 00
		\$27,264 09

### Street Department.

No.		Amount.
5344	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Jan. 16.....	\$ 173 03
5346	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Jan. 30.....	212 32
5350	Dunn Bros. & Co., pipe, etc.....	60
5351	H. A. Sawyer & Co., snow shovels.....	2 50
5352	M. A. Bourne, coal.....	5 75
5353	D. B. Twigg, rubber cap.....	75
5354	W. C. Landon, shovels.....	4 00
5360	J. A. Sheldon, salary as Supt. Streets, Jan....	100 00
5361	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, Jan..	43 45
5362	H. F. Noyes, plank for River Street bridge...	196 58
5363	E. A. Morse, turf from Spruce Street lot.....	3 00
5364	Steam Stone Cutter Co., making tools.....	3 28
5416	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Feb. 3.....	104 71
5417	J. F. McGuirk, oil and ladder.....	3 00
5418	J. McGuirk, sharpening tools.....	1 15
5430	A. C. Grover, salary in part at transitman, Dec. and Jan.....	28 00
5431	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Dec. and Jan.....	95 00
5432	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, Dec. and Jan.....	24 00
5433	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Dec. and Jan.....	25 64
5434	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Feb. 27, '97.....	162 58
5437	W. C. Landon, shovels and locks.....	10 95
5438	S. Terrill & Son, repairs and sharpening tools	15 40
5439	John McGuirk, sharpening tools.....	75
5440	H. A. Sawyer & Co., twine.....	25
5441	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, Feb.	54 75

No.		Amount.
5442	J. A. Sheldon, salary in part as Supt. Streets, Feb.....	\$ 100 00
5443	Hoag & Clauson, repairs.....	90
5444	F. M. Mellow, sand.....	13 50
5445	G. W. Ross, surveying, etc.....	48 87
5446	C. Buffum's est., dirt.....	9 75
5510	A. L. Adams, repairing streets.....	165 11
5514	Pay roll, 5 weeks ending April 3.....	296 52
5519	J. A. Sheldon, salary as Supt. Streets, to April 6.....	110 00
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March.....	73 70
5521	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Feb. and March.....	97 50
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, Feb. and March.....	42 50
5523	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Feb. and March.....	31 45
5524	M. Gilrain, sharpening tools.....	5 40
5525	G. W. Spaulding, team work.....	2 62
5526	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber and nails...	3 30
2527	J. McLaughlin, gravel.....	75
5528	A. L. Adams, repairing streets.....	524 66
5529	M. A. Bourne, coal.....	8 63
5530	E. D. Keyes & Co., salt.....	45
5531	Dunn Bros. & Co., supplies.....	1 84
5612	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending April 17.....	49 26
5613	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, April.....	8 00
5627	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending May 1st.....	420 47
5631	Fire Department, 600 feet hose.....	150 00
5632	W. C. Landon, gravel, shovels, etc.....	17 50
5633	L. G. Kingsley, nails and shovels.....	12 65
5634	Lincoln Iron Works, packing, gauge glasses, etc.	3 20
5635	R. M. Spaulding, slabs.....	6 18
5636	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite.....	9 35
5637	The Tuttle Co., time books.....	2 90
5638	F. Chaffee's Sons, plank.....	6 56
5639	F. P. Robinson, coal for crusher.....	11 50
5640	H. A. Sawyer & Co., lanterns and globes.....	7 10
5641	M. E. Wheeler, cement.....	2 75
5642	John Sullivan, work in March.....	1 50
5643	A. C. Grover, salary in part, April.....	20 56
5644	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, April.....	2 00
5645	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, April.....	8 10
5704	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending May 15.....	168 03
5709	Pay roll, 3 weeks ending June 5.....	798 59
5714	A. C. Grover, salary in part, May.....	25 55

No.		Amount.
5715	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, May.....	\$ 18 00
5716	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, May.....	12 00
5717	W. C. Landon, wheelbarrows, picks, etc.....	37 08
5718	H. F. Noyes, lumber and posts.....	7 43
5719	The Tuttle Co., blank book.....	75
5720	Vermont School Seat Co., stakes.....	5 50
5721	St. Peter's Church, gravel.....	3 85
5722	J. McLaughlin, gravel.....	3 45
5723	Pierce & Billings, belting, tools, etc.....	8 90
5724	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite and fuse.....	18 60
5725	M. A. Bourne, coal.....	12 50
5726	Boston Belting Co., hose.....	26 31
5727	J. H. Holmes & Co., repairing road machine and crusher.....	18 45
5728	The Atlantic Refining Co., oil .....	6 44
5729	S. M. Spencer & Son, steel die.....	1 06
5730	F. P. Robinson, coal for crusher.....	6 60
5731	Rutland Railroad Co., shovel.....	50
5732	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies.....	45
5794	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending June 19.....	835 27
5795	L. G. Kingsley, shovels, hoes, etc.....	8 03
5796	Geo. W. Morse, repairing roller, etc.....	100 50
5797	The O. S. Kelley Co., spikes for roller.....	42 00
5798	H. B. Whittier, paid express on spikes for roller.....	9 81
5899	F. P. Robinson, coal for crusher.....	11 00
5800	W. L. Ferguson, Agt., freight on oil.....	1 54
5820	A. H. Colvin & Co., damage by water.....	109 03
5822	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 3.....	1310 77
5827	W. C. Landon, picks, handles, plow points....	9 20
5828	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	1 25
5829	The Combination Cash Store Co., oil.....	5 01
5830	F. R. Patch Mfg. Co., packing.....	30
5831	H. A. Sawyer & Co., lanterns.....	8 50
5832	J. McLaughlin, gravel.....	50
5832	M. A. Bourne, coal.....	40 38
5834	J. Welch, coal.....	22 50
5835	Lincoln Iron Works, waste, etc.....	5 86
5836	C. W. Ward, resin.....	25
5837	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite, etc.....	65 23
5838	Steam Stone Cutter Co., bolts to order.....	50
5840	L. G. Kingsley, steel and tools.....	7 22
5841	S. Westover, repairing roller .....	3 15
5842	Columbian Marble Co., marble.....	1 00
5843	A. C. Grover, salary in part, June.....	30 00

No.		Amount.
5844	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, June .....	\$ 32 00
5846	J. McGuirk, sharpening tools.....	1 55
5850	S. P. Curtis & Son, weigh bills.....	20
5903	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	37 50
5904	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 17.....	1007 94
5905	F. P. Robinson, coal for crusher.....	11 50
5906	W. F. Nelson, pails.....	2 50
5914	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 31.....	862 50
5919	A. C. Grover, salary in part, July.....	25 55
5920	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, July.....	16 00
5922	L. G. Kingsley, shovels, steel, etc.....	13 93
5923	W. C. Landon, gravel, etc.....	8 63
5924	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite and fuse.....	39 60
5925	S. P. Curtis & Son, weigh bill.....	10
5926	F. Chaffee's Sons, lumber.....	1 10
5927	Vermont Marble Co., marble.....	9 58
5928	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	15 00
5929	Lincoln Iron Works, packing, belting, etc.....	6 11
5930	M. A. Bourne, coal .....	23 57
5931	Rutland Railroad, coal and shovel.....	22 25
5932	C. W. Ward, borax.....	30
5933	Samuell Terrill & Son, repairs.....	4 75
5934	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	15 60
5982	Pay roll, two weeks ending Aug. 14.....	1015 44
5987	S. F. Kelley, use of watering trough 4 years to March 1, '97.....	12 00
5988	Pay roll, 8 weeks ending Sept. 4.....	1,827 33
5992	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Aug.....	27 78
5993	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, August .....	18 00
5994	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Aug....	5 36
5995	W. C. Landon, seed.....	1 00
5996	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies and repairs.....	2 40
5997	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite, fuse, etc.....	57 90
5998	St. Peter's Church, gravel.....	10 80
5999	Moseley & Stoddard, Mfg. Co., stakes.....	10 00
6000	L. G. Kingsley, hoes.....	1 38
6001	M. A. Bourne, coal for roller.....	38 59
6002	H. F. Noyes, staples.....	48
6003	C. W. Ward, resin.....	25
6004	J. H. Monette, blacksmithing.....	75
6005	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	6 76
6049	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Sept. 18.....	1,244 56
6051	Vermont Marble Co., coal for crusher.....	88 10

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No.		Amount.
6052	Rutland Railroad Co., coal for roller.....	\$ 4 10
6053	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	9 41
6054	G. W. Ross, surveying and making plat of Clover Street.....	52 12
6055	L. F. Miner, repairs.....	4 30
6068	Pay roll, two weeks ending Oct. 3.....	558 33
6072	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Sept.....	12 00
6073	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Sept.....	15 00
6074	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Sept....	6 70
6075	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil.....	3 87
6076	F. R. Patch, Mfg. Co., belting.....	3 04
6077	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies and repairs.....	9 59
6078	W. C. Landon, wheelbarrows, etc.....	16 73
6079	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite, etc. ....	37 90
6080	J. H. Holmes & Co., repairing crusher, etc....	26 65
6081	M. A. Bourne, coal for roller.....	25 25
6082	The Atlantic Refining Co., oil.....	6 67
6083	W. D. Ferguson, Agt., freight on oil.....	1 54
6084	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	26 55
6086	St. Peter's Church, gravel.....	7 20
6129	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Oct. 16.....	763 73
6144	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Oct. 30.....	534 91
6148	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Oct.....	15 55
6149	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, October ...	17 00
6151	Vermont Marble Co., coal for crusher.....	89 27
6152	M. A. Bourne, coal for roller .....	30 25
6153	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	5 27
6154	C. W. Ward, resin.....	25
6155	W. C. Landon, lime and handles.....	3 14
6156	C. F. Willis, chains.....	10 50
6157	L. G. Kingsley, padlocks.....	1 00
6158	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite, etc.....	37 40
6159	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies.....	1 37
6160	Pierce & Billings, shovels, lacing, etc.....	14 65
6161	Rutland Railroad Co., 1 shovel.....	1 20
6162	F. W. Shedd, gravel.....	20 00
6103	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Nov. 13.....	114 89
6205	Sam'l P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	27 40
6216	Pay roll, 3 weeks ending Dec. 4.....	376 05
6220	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Nov.....	15 56
6227	W. C. Landon, gravel.....	4 05
6236	Dunn Bros. & Co., dynamite and fuse.....	18 45
6271	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Dec. 18, 1897.....	68 20
6277	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Jan. 1, 1898.....	65 80
6280	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Dec.....	5 00

No.		Amount.
6281	Rutland Railroad Co., 1 shovel.....	\$ 1 20
6291	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	61 50
		<u>\$17,014 76</u>

### Sewer Department.

No.		Amount.
5361	Sidney Smith, salary in part as City engineer, January.....	\$ 57 75
5430	A. C. Grover, salary in part as transitman, Dec. and Jan.....	8 00
5431	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Dec. and Jan.....	2 50
5433	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Dec. and Jan.....	15 77
5441	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, Feb.	43 96
5467	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick and sewer pipe.....	140 65
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March	27 60
5521	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, Feb. and March.....	17 50
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, Feb. and March.....	1 00
5523	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Feb. and March.....	22 76
5612	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending April 17.....	16 00
5613	Sidney Smith, salary as engineer, April.....	11 67
5627	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending May 1.....	40 00
5643	A. C. Grover, salary in part, April.....	30 00
5644	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, April.....	1 00
5645	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, April..	12 15
5704	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending May 15.....	38 25
5709	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending June 5.....	297 91
5714	A. C. Grover, salary in part, May.....	25 00
5715	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, May.....	21 50
5716	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, May...	15 50
5718	H. F. Noyes, lumber.....	13 50

No.		Amount.
5733	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick.....	\$ 17 00
5734	H. A. Sawyer & Co., burlap.....	1 41
5769	The Combination Cash Store, cheese cloth....	3 35
5794	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending June 19.....	459 68
5801	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	24 50
5802	C. F. Willis, lumber.....	25 67
5803	F. E. Sturtevant & Co., burlap.....	51
5821	H. Wales Lines Co.....	546 16
5822	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 3.....	600 85
5828	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber and sewer pipe.....	54 64
5835	Lincoln Iron Works, castings.....	13 88
5839	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	7 35
5843	A. C. Grover, salary in part, June.....	25 55
5844	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, June.....	11 00
5845	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, June...	35 00
5846	J. McGuirk, sharpening tools.....	30
5847	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg. Co., lumber and labor.....	37
5848	H. F. Noyes, sewer pipe.....	2 55
5849	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick.....	12 75
5850	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	85 00
5851	A. F. Davis Feed Co., burlap.....	7 23
5903	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	40 50
5904	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 17.....	312 16
5907	G. H. Channell, Mgr., oakum and making sewer connection.....	1 05
5914	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending July 31.....	235 26
5919	A. C. Grover, salary in part, July.....	25 00
5920	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, July .....	16 00
5921	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, July...	35 00
5925	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	32 16
5928	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	28 50
5935	A. F. Davis Feed Co., burlap.....	2 25
5982	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Aug. 14.....	224 32
5988	Pay roll, 3 weeks ending Sept. 4.....	279 52
5992	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Aug.....	27 77
5993	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, August.....	16 00
5994	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Aug...	29 64
5996	Lincoln Iron Works, manhole casting.....	6 39
6002	H. F. Noyes, sewer pipe.....	54
6051	Vermont Marble Co., marble.....	2 00
6053	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	13 70
6072	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Sept.....	3 55

No.		Amount.
6073	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, September.....	\$ 15 00
6087	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick.....	8 50
6144	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Oct. 30.....	100 09
6149	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, October.....	8 00
6150	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Oct....	9 92
6165	F. Chaffee's Sons, sewer pipe.....	185 47
6505	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	12 62
6277	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Jan. 1, 1898.....	25 65
6280	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Dec.....	10 00
6282	The Herald, publishing advertisement.....	3 00
		<u>\$ 4,504 28</u>

### Moon Brook Sewer Account.

No.		Amount.
5361	Sidney Smith, salary in part as city engineer, January.....	\$ 14 00
5430	A. G. Grover, salary in part as transitman, December and January.....	83 00
5432	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, December and January.....	6 00
5441	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, January.....	25 55
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March.....	14 88
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, March .....	19 50
5523	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, March.	1 23
5643	A. C. Grover, salary in part as transitman, April.....	5 00
5644	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, April.....	9 00
5645	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, April..	2 70
5714	A. C. Grover, salary in part, May....	5 00
5715	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, May.....	3 50

No.		Amount.
5716	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, May....	\$ 2 00
5821	The H. Wales Lines Co., sewer pipe.....	353 84
5919	A. C. Grover, salary in part, July.....	5 00
5920	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, July.....	4 00
6068	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending October 3.....	967 46
6072	A. C. Grover, salary in part, September.....	40 00
6073	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, September .....	7 00
6074	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, Septem- ber .....	28 30
6079	Dunn Bros. & Co., pails.....	6 00
6085	B. F. Pollard, rubber gloves and mittens.....	10 75
6088	Rutland Railroad Co., rails.....	6 04
6089	A. F. Davis Feed Co., burlaps.....	6 83
6090	The Herald, publishing call for proposals.....	1 95
6129	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending October 16.....	938 22
6131	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	5 11
6132	W. L. Ferguson, agent, freight on sewer pipe.	192 95
6144	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending October 30 .....	1,373 17
6148	A. C. Grover, salary in part, October.....	40 00
6149	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, October.....	22 00
6150	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, October	25 08
6156	C. F. Willis, lumber.....	33 75
6163	H. W. Wales Lines Co., sewer pipe.....	483 06
6164	H. A. Sawyer & Co., burlaps.....	5 40
6165	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick and sewer pipe.....	62 34
6166	W. L. Ferguson, agent, freight on sewer pipe.	167 79
6167	E. E. Crawford, agent, switching bills.....	5 00
6168	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	35 10
6169	A. F. Davis Feed Co., burlaps.....	16 95
6170	St. Peter's church, gravel.....	45 60
6203	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending Nov. 12.....	1,046 10
6205	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement .....	666 13
6206	F. R. Patch Manufacturing Co., manhole cast- ings.....	113 42
6207	Lincoln Iron Works, manhole castings.....	92 50
6216	Pay roll, 3 weeks ending, December 4.....	1,692 73
6220	A. C. Grover, salary in part, Nov.....	40 00
6221	H. Wales Lines Co., sewer pipe.....	1,014 77
6222	E. E. Crawford, agent, freight on sewer pipe..	391 05
6223	W. L. Ferguson, agent, freight on sewer pipe.	215 65
6224	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	123 79
6225	E. D. Keyes & Co., candles.....	75
6226	Moseley & Stoddard Manufacturing Co., lum- ber and stakes.....	11 32

No.		Amount.
6227	W. C. Landon, cement.....	\$ 130 97
6228	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	92 50
6229	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick.....	34 00
6230	Anna E. Pierpoint, gravel.....	96 00
6231	Lincoln Iron Works, manhole and catch-basin castings.....	190 80
6232	H. F. Noyes, slabs.....	7 00
6233	A. F. Davis Feed Co., burlaps.....	13 05
6235	F. E. Sturtevant & Co., burlaps .....	36
6231	The Howe Scale Co., manure.....	1 50
6236	Dunn Bros. & Co., pails.....	6 00
6237	L. G. Kingsley, nails and hoes.....	4 10
6238	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	2 00
6271	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending December 18, 1897....	615 22
6277	Pay roll, 2 weeks ending, January 1, 1898.....	108 00
6280	A. C. Grover, salary in part, December.....	40 56
6283	Pierce & Billings, nails.....	5 40
6284	W. L. Davis, treasurer, transfer of pipe, etc... 1,503 99	
6285	F. R. Patch Manufacturing Co., castings.....	51 40
6286	E. D. Keyes & Co., candles.....	75
6287	F. Chaffee's Sons, brick.....	2 13
6288	D M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	25 13
6289	S. P. Curtis & Son, cement.....	5 00
6290	Bardy & Wilson, burlaps.....	33
6292	J. E. Creed, slabs.....	32 31
6293	St. Peter's Church, gravel.....	1 65
		<u>\$13,448 41</u>

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### Water Department.

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No.		Amount.
5349	Pay roll, January.....	\$ 283 50
5350	Dunn Bros. & Co., cup.....	30
5354	W. C. Landon, glass, putty, etc.....	1 10
5356	Duffy & Clifford, coal.....	12 00
5361	Sidney Smith, salary in part as city engineer, January.....	21 50
5370	People's Gas Light Co., lights.....	60

No.		Amount.
5374	J. M. Davis, salary as superintendent, January, and paid expenses.....	\$ 101 45
5375	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, January.....	25 00
5376	James Johnston, trucking, January.....	2 00
5377	Walworth Manufacturing Co., 1 pressure gauge	67 50
5378	W. L. Ferguson, agent, freight bills.....	1 27
5430	A. C. Grover, salary in part as transitman, December and January.....	14 00
5431	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, December and January.....	2 50
5437	W. C. Landon, hair and file.....	1 73
5438	S. Terrill & Son, repairing tools.....	7 50
5441	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, February.....	33 35
5465	E. D. Keyes & Co., salt.....	45
5466	J. M. Davis, salary as superintendent, February.....	100 00
5467	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, February.....	25 00
5468	James Johnston, trucking, February.....	5 50
5469	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	4 25
5470	L. Valquette, Jr., rubber boots.....	10 00
5471	A. N. Wood, slabs.....	2 50
5509	C. E. Barker, teams to waterworks.....	5 00
5511	Bromley & White, attorneys, account Inman Bros., pipe, etc.....	548 76
5512	F. D. White, attorney, account Inman Bros., pipe, etc.....	653 62
5513	F. D. White, attorney, interest on money held in trustee.....	122 15
5518	Pay roll, February and March.....	563 50
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March.....	31 80
5521	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, March.....	15 00
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman ...	11 00
5523	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, March.	11 22
5530	E. D. Keyes & Co., salt.....	45
5531	Dunn Bros. & Co., tubing, pipe, etc.....	1 64
5540	Burditt Bros., coal.....	5 75
5547	George E. Pelton, blanks.....	3 00
5560	J. M. Davis, salary as superintendent, March.	100 00
5561	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, March.....	25 00
5562	James Johnston, trucking, March .....	8 25
5563	A. W. White, sawdust.....	3 00
5564	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	1 15
5565	H. F. Noyes, slabs.....	20 26

No.		Amount.
5613	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, April.....	\$ 5 00
5630	Pay roll, April.....	197 75
5632	W. C. Landon, anvil.....	10 80
5633	L. G. Kingsley, shovels.....	2 75
5634	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies.....	1 12
5637	The Tuttle Co., permits and placards.....	13 65
5643	A. C. Grover, salary in part, April.....	27 77
5644	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, April.....	2 00
5645	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman, April ..	2 25
5666	J. M. Davis, bench, shelving and salary.....	55 00
5667	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, April .....	25 00
5668	G. H. Grimm & Co., charcoal.....	42
5669	M. Mullin, repairing shut-off.....	1 00
5670	Walworth Manufacturing Co., gasket.....	1 91
5671	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	1 42
5698	H. B. Whittier, paid express on supplies.....	25
5712	Pay roll, May.....	255 35
5713	Pay roll, water inspectors.....	124 00
5714	A. C. Grover, salary in part, May.....	27 78
5715	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman.	7 00
5716	E. S. Moore, salary in part as rodman.....	3 50
5717	W. C. Landon, tools .....	4 05
5719	The Tuttle Co., rate book, etc.....	11 40
5721	St. Peter's church, gravel .....	15
5724	Dunn Bros. & Co., gaskets.....	75
5732	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies.....	4 41
5752	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, May.....	25 00
5753	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg. Co., cup bobs and anvil block.....	1 25
5754	C. W. Ward, gasoline.....	75
5755	S. Terrill & Son, supplies.....	75
5756	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	4 71
5809	W. S. Smith, rubber cement .....	25
5826	Pay roll, June.....	210 57
5827	W. C. Landon, sperm oil.....	90
5835	Lincoln Iron Works, belting and wick.....	55
5843	A. C. Grover, salary in part, June.....	27 78
5844	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, June ..	7 00
5871	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, June .....	25 00
5872	S. Terrill & Son, repairs .....	2 05
5873	M. G. McCormack, posting water tax notices..	2 00
5917	Pay roll, July.....	224 90
5918	Water rent rebates.....	16 00
5919	A. C. Grover, salary in part, July.....	27 78

No.		Amount.
5920	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman	\$ 14 00
5922	L. G. Kingsley, files.....	92
5934	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools .....	1 78
5944	The Herald, publishing notices.....	10 25
5949	Willis, Young & Creed, balance due on con- tract.....	142 47
5950	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, July .....	25 00
5981	The Tuttle Co., printing.....	2 00
5991	Pay roll, August .....	188 60
5992	A. C. Grover, salary in part, August.....	27 78
5993	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, August.....	16 00
5995	W. C. Landon, hair .....	2 00
5996	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies .....	1 99
5997	Duna Bros. & Co., pipe, bushings, etc.....	2 35
6005	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools.....	2 55
6019	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, August.....	25 00
6020	S. Terrill & Son, supplies .....	1 00
6050	Water rent rebates.....	3 00
6071	Pay roll, September .....	194 50
6072	A. C. Grover, salary in part, September.....	27 78
6073	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, September.....	13 00
6077	Linecoln Iron Works, patterns and castings....	1 79
6078	W. C. Landon, hair .....	80
6101	John McGuirk, repairing .....	70
6102	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, September.....	25 00
6137	E. E. Crawford, agent, freight on hydrants...	1 68
6147	Pay roll, October .....	203 94
6148	A. C. Grover, salary in part, October.....	27 78
6149	W. W. Eggleston, salary in part as transitman, October.....	3 00
6155	W. C. Landon, hair .....	5 20
6159	Lincoln Iron Works, galvanized iron pipe....	2 21
6167	E. E. Crawford, agent, freight bills.....	2 31
6186	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, October.....	25 00
6187	Illinois Malleable Iron Co., service boxes and caps .....	19 01
6193	W. L. Davis, clerk hire .....	16 00
6217	Pay roll, November .....	442 79
6220	A. C. Grover, salary in part, November.....	27 77
6223	W. L. Ferguson, agent, freight on pipe.....	30 72
6228	S. P. Curtis & Son, weigh bills .....	90
6231	Lincoln Iron Works, galvanized iron pipe....	22 41
6232	H. F. Noyes, slabs .....	3 50
6238	W. H. Lillie, sharpening tools .....	99
6256	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, November.....	25 00

No.		Amount.
6257	J. M. Davis, services as water inspector.....	\$ 12 00
6258	S. Terrill & Son, pipe irons.....	1 00
6278	Pay roll, December .....	199 13
6280	A. C. Grover, salary in part, December.....	27 77
6299	E. E. Crawford, agent, freight on pump .....	50
6305	J. D. Ellsworth, rent of store, December .....	25 00
6306	Lincoln Iron Works, pump, pipe, etc.....	5 10
		<u>\$6,078 24</u>

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### Department of Charities and Corrections.

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No.		Amount.
5350	Dunn Bros. & Co., supplies for city farm.....	\$ 21 63
5351	H. A. Sawyer & Co., supplies for city farm....	1 20
5352	M. A. Bourne, supplies for poor.....	21 00
5353	D. B. Twigg, supplies for poor.....	10 75
5355	H. C. Durkee & Co., supplies for poor.....	8 00
5356	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	78 80
5357	A. W. Edson, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5358	Burditt Bros., supphes for city farm.....	64 43
5379	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for city farm and poor.....	180 65
5380	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm and poor .....	92 82
5381	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	60 50
5382	Stearns, Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor....	47 00
5383	Bardy & Wilson, supplies for poor.....	11 50
5384	F. W. Gary, supplies for poor.....	18 00
5385	Farmer, Dawley & Farmer, supplies for poor..	25 00
5386	L. W. Leavitt, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5387	F. P. Robinson, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5388	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	8 00
5389	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	8 00
5390	Rutland Hospital, taking care of poor.....	70 00
5391	W. S. Smith, supplies for poor.....	23 03
5392	L. Valquette, Jr., supplies for poor.....	8 25
5393	H. L. Hoag, supplies for city farm.....	9 89
5394	A. H. Colvin & Co., supplies for city farm....	8 06

No.		Amount.
5395	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	\$ 13 87
5396	Kissane & Donahue, supplies for city farm....	8 58
5397	C. C. Sargeant, supplies for city farm.....	16 96
5398	Chas. Sterns & Co., supplies for city farm and poor .....	3 80
5399	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm	7 15
5400	J. V. Watkins, supplies for city farm .....	2 60
5401	John McGuirk, supplies for city farm .....	1 25
5402	Rutland Probate Court, inquisitions and orders of removal.....	33 75
5403	M. G. McCormack, burial supplies.....	23 00
5404	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, January, and cash paid out.....	64 10
5405	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	13 29
5406	Dr. H. L. Newell, salary as City Physician, January.....	12 50
5421	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	168 00
5422	D. B. Twigg, supplies for poor.....	12 50
5423	Mamie A. Elmore, taking care of poor.....	7 50
5439	John McGuirk, blacksmithing.....	1 05
5440	H. A. Sawyer & Co., supplies.....	90
5457	John Welch, supplies for poor .....	17 00
5458	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	120 00
5465	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm.....	20 22
5472	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor .....	59 40
5473	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	101 13
5474	C. H. Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor .....	39 00
5475	F. W. Gary, supplies for poor.....	5 00
5476	L. W. Leavitt, supplies for poor.....	12 00
5477	A. W. Edson, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5478	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	8 00
5479	F. Gilman, supplies for poor.....	2 60
5480	A. M. McClure, supplies for poor.....	4 00
5481	D. C. Lyman, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5482	F. P. Robinson, supplies for poor .....	3 00
5483	Burditt Bros., supplies for poor and city farm.	50 82
5484	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	169 76
5485	Chas. Sterns & Co., supplies for city farm.....	5 23
5486	Rochester Clothing Co., supplies for city farm.	10 50
5487	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm	7 15
5488	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	12 28
5489	Kissane & Donahue, supplies for city farm.....	5 45
5490	E. A. Valquette, supplies for city farm and pest house .....	121 51
5491	M. G. McCormack, burial supplies.....	9 00
5492	Rutland Hospital, taking care of poor.....	41 43

No.		Amount.
5493	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, Feb., and cash paid out.....	\$ 56 80
5494	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm, Feb.....	12 00
5495	Mamie A. Elmore, taking care of poor.....	4 50
5496	Dr. H. L. Newell, salary as City Physician....	12 50
5529	M. A. Bourne, supplies for poor.....	38 10
5530	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for poor and city farm .....	42 44
5531	Dunn Bros. & Co., supplies for city farm.....	4 92
5539	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	129 31
5540	Burditt Bros., supplies for city farm.....	12 88
5543	A. W. Edson, supplies for poor .. ..	3 00
5545	Dr. W. M. Stearns, examining insane poor....	5 00
5566	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	84 00
5567	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	10 00
5568	F. V. Dunklee, supplies for poor.....	2 00
5569	Farmer, Dawley & Farmer, supplies for poor..	30 98
5570	Berwick House, supplies for poor .....	75
5571	W. S. Smith, supplies for poor .. ..	14 96
5572	Ross, Huntress & Co., supplies for poor.....	2 40
5573	Day C. Lyman, supplies for poor .....	1 50
5574	L. Valquette, supplies for poor .....	18 55
5575	Nichols & Marks, supplies for poor.....	5 00
5576	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	16 00
5577	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	87 00
5578	Hoag & Clauson, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5579	F. E. Sturtevant & Co., supplies for poor....	2 00
5580	C. H. Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor....	34 00
5581	L. W. Leavitt, supplies for poor .....	12 00
5582	H. C. Durkee & Co., supplies for poor.....	22 00
5583	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	200 87
5584	Davis retail grain store, supplies for city farm.	6 75
5585	W. C. Landon, supplies for city farm.....	68
5586	J. McGuirk, supplies for city farm.....	1 00
5587	J. Rooney, supplies for city farm.....	25 00
5588	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	25 50
5589	M. R. Crain, examination of poor.....	9 00
5590	Mrs. C. Stratton, nursing poor.....	2 00
5591	Augustus Reed, work at city farm.....	2 50
5592	Clifford Bros., burial supplies.....	20 00
5593	M. G. McCormack, burial supplies.....	10 00
5594	F. P. Robinson, coal for poor.....	3 00
5595	Frank Conniff, work, etc., pest house.....	53 28
5596	Dr. H. L. Newell, salary as City Physician, March.....	12 50

No.		Amount.
5597	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, March, and cash paid out.....	\$ 62 71
5598	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	13 29
5621	Virginia Knuckles, taking care of poor.....	6 00
5622	James Beattie, cash paid for sundries. ....	10 60
5646	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm.....	47 29
5649	Burditt Bros., supplies for city farm.....	24 80
5655	M. A. Bourne, supplies for poor.....	10 00
5672	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for the poor .....	59 25
5673	P. F. McManus, supplies for the poor.....	8 00
5674	L. W. Leavitt, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5675	D. B. Twigg, supplies for poor.....	14 25
5676	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	55 50
5677	W. E. Ross, supplies for poor.....	2 50
5678	A. W. Edson, supplies for poor.....	5 00
5679	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	8 00
5680	F. W. Gary, supplies for poor.....	18 00
5681	M. Rooney, supplies for poor .....	8 00
5682	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	34 00
5683	B. D. Fuller, supplies for poor.....	5 00
5684	C. H. Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor.....	18 00
5685	J. E. Thomson, attending poor.....	33 00
5686	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	147 86
5687	Clauson & Young, supplies for poor and city farm .....	12 90
5688	Union Pacific Tea Co., supplies for city farm..	41 90
5689	J. E. Creed, supplies for city farm .....	9 00
5690	The Davis retail grain store, supplies for city farm .....	5 20
5691	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg. Co., supplies for city farm.....	1 24
5692	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	9 31
5693	J. McGuirk, supplies for city farm.....	1 45
5694	James Beattie, salary as overseer, April.....	50 00
5695	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	12 86
5696	Dr. H. L. Newell, salary as City Physician,April	12 50
5717	W. C. Landon, supplies for city farm.....	7 30
5718	H. F. Noyes, supplies for city farm.....	5 49
5725	M. A. Bourne, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5737	Burditt Bros., supplies for city farm.....	2 10
5757	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor....	52 00
5758	E. Langlois & Son, supplies for poor.....	10 00
5759	C. H. Cleayeland & Co., supplies for poor....	18 00
5760	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5761	Kissane & Donahue, supplies for poor.....	6 45
5762	A. Goyette, supplies for poor.....	5 32

No.		Amount.
5763	Farmer, Dawley & Farmer, supplies for poor..	\$ 16 00
5764	L. Valquette, Jr., supplies for poor .....	1 85
5765	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5766	H. C. Durkee & Co., supplies for poor.....	11 00
5767	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	39 00
5768	D. C. Lyman, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5769	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	113 53
5770	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	28 50
5771	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	15 35
5772	G. H. Channell, manager, supplies for city farm	2 50
5773	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm	5 90
5774	H. L. Hoag, supplies for city farm.....	15 18
5775	Chapman & Farmer, supplies for city farm.....	17 00
5776	W. Preston, supplies for city farm.....	10 00
5777	E. E. Crawford, agent, freight on supplies for city farm.....	3 39
5778	J. S. Williams, supplies for city farm.....	9 00
5779	A. E. Manum, supplies for city farm.....	5 00
5780	Attorney for L. A. Smith, witness fees, City vs. Smith.....	13 78
5781	Lydia Osborn, taking care of poor.....	7 50
5782	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, May, and cash paid out.....	70 57
5783	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	13 29
5784	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, May	16 66
5827	W. C. Landon, supplies for city farm.....	23 60
5829	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for city farm.....	107 00
5831	H. A. Sawyer & Co., supplies for city farm....	1 05
5836	C. W. Ward, supplies for poor.....	3 00
5848	H. F. Noyes, supplies for city farm.....	12 13
5852	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm .....	20 16
5874	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	53 00
5875	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	31 00
5876	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	39 00
5877	C. H. Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor.....	23 00
5878	Bardy & Wilson, supplies for poor.....	5 70
5879	Farmer, Dawley & Farmer, supplies for poor..	14 00
5880	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5881	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	8 00
5882	Isaac Manney, supplies for city farm.....	3 75
5883	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	16 43
5884	V. E. Burdick, supplies for city farm.....	8 00
5885	W. S. Smith, supplies for city farm.....	14 00
5886	H. L. Hoag, supplies for city farm.....	6 12

No.		Amount.
5887	J. Levy, supplies for city farm.....	\$ 7 00
5888	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm	6 00
5889	Dr. G. H. Farnsworth, service at city farm....	1 00
5890	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, June	16 67
5891	Mrs. W. O. Osborn, taking care of poor.....	6 00
5892	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, June, and cash paid out.....	60 15
5893	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm, Jane.....	12 86
5912	Higging Drug Co., supplies for farm.....	65 88
5933	Sam'l Terrill & Son, repairs.....	14 80
5951	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	36 00
5952	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	48 00
5953	Kinsman & Purdy, supplies for poor.....	5 00
5954	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5955	D. C. Lyman, supplies for poor .....	3 00
5956	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor.....	6 00
5957	W. S. Smith, supplies for city farm.....	9 15
5958	J. McGuirk, supplies for city farm.....	3 70
5959	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	14 78
5960	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm .....	6 00
5961	Chas. Young, supplies for city farm .....	12 00
5962	Union Pacific Tea Co., supplies for city farm..	27 15
5963	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for city farm and poor .....	86 90
5964	James Rooney, supplies for poor.....	12 00
5965	A. Goyette, supplies for poor.....	4 62
5966	J. E. Creed, supplies and work city farm.....	11 00
5967	Wm. Seward, work city farm.....	3 50
5968	Mrs. W. O. Osborn, taking care of poor.....	4 29
5969	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, July, and cash paid out.....	52 04
5970	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm, July.....	13 29
5971	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, July	16 67
5981	The Tuttle Co., office supplies.....	75
5995	W. C. Landon, supplies for city farm.....	1 65
6000	L. G. Kingsley, supplies for city farm.....	18 40
6013	S. E. Burnham, insurance.....	45 00
6016	Carruthers Printing Co., envelopes.....	1 05
6021	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm.....	80 02
6022	C. H. Cleaveland & Co., supplies for poor....	42 00
6023	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	46 00
6024	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	7 00
6025	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor .....	27 00
6026	P. F. McManus, supplies for poor .....	6 00
6027	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor....	38 00

No.		Amount.
6028	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	\$ 81 84
6029	Kissane & Donahue, supplies for city farm....	28 13
6030	H. L. Hoag, supplies for city farm.....	7 39
6031	Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm	6 00
6032	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	17 22
6033	A. Peters, supplies for city farm.....	2 56
6034	M. G. McCormack, burial supplies.....	18 25
6035	E. Eustace, opening and closing grave.....	2 00
6036	Mary Curry, taking care of poor.....	6 60
6037	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, Aug	16 67
6038	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, August, and cash paid out.....	66 65
6039	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	13 29
6075	E. D. Keyes & Co., supplies for city farm.....	15 33
6096	Pierce & Billings, supplies for city farm.....	11 75
6101	J. McGuirk, supplies for city farm. ....	1 25
6103	H. C. Durkee & Co., supplies for poor.....	6 00
6104	J. S. Grandy, supplies for poor.....	6 00
6105	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, supplies for poor.....	32 00
6106	D. C. Lyman, supplies for poor.....	3 00
6107	C. H. Cleaveland & Co.. supplies for poor.....	8 00
6108	Duffy & Clifford, supplies for poor.....	11 00
6109	L. G. Kingsley, burial supplies for poor.....	36 25
6110	The Combination Cash Store Co., supplies for poor and city farm.....	98 87
6111	F. Gosselin, supplies for city farm.....	21 04
6112	John Fitzgerald, supplies for city farm.....	1 50
6113	F. C. Londerville, supplies for city farm.....	20 15
6114	The Davis Retail Grain Store, supplies for city farm .....	6 90
6115	L. Capron, supplies for city farm.....	4 50
6116	Mary Curry, taking care of poor.....	6 43
6117	Cora Peryea, work at city farm.....	4 70
6118	Ellen Beattie, work at city farm.....	12 86
6119	James Beattie, salary as Overseer, Sept., and cash paid out.....	51 50
6121	Brattleboro Retreat, care of insane poor.....	2 60
6120	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, Oct.	16 67
6136	M. J. Francisco & Son, insurance.....	45 00
6179	The Tuttle Co., printing.....	14 40
6188	James Beattie, Overseer, expenses of dept. for October.....	434 53
6189	E. J. Thomas & Co., supplies for poor.....	23 00
6190	J. W. Blanchard, supplies for city farm.....	3 35
6191	G. Guertin, opening grave.....	1 50
6192	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, Oct.	16 67

No.		Amount.
6259	James Beattie, Overseer, expenses of dept. for November.....	\$ 422 02
6260	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, Nov.	16 67
6307	James Beattie, Overseer, expenses of dept. for December.....	561 61
6208	Dr. E. B. Davis, salary as City Physician, Dec.	16 67
		<u>\$ 7,828 65</u>

**Salaries Account.**

No.		Amount.
5407	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Jan.....	\$ 100 00
5408	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Jan.....	66 66
5409	T. B. Kelley, salary as janitor, Jan.....	50 00
5410	Dr. W. M. Stearns, salary as health officer, Jan.	16 67
5497	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Feb.....	100 00
5498	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Feb.....	66 66
5499	T. B. Kelley, salary as janitor, Feb.....	50 00
5500	Dr. W. M. Stearns, salary as health officer, Feb.	16 67
5501	Geo. F. Leonard, salary as auditor.....	15 00
5502	C. W. Pennington, salary as auditor.....	15 00
5503	Albert Brosseau, salary as auditor.....	15 00
5504	J. W. Brislin, salary as truant officer.....	20 00
5545	Dr. W. M. Stearns, salary as health officer, March.....	16 67
5599	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, March.....	100 00
5600	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, March.....	66 66
5601	T. B. Kelley, salary as janitor, March.....	50 00
5602	Geo. E. Clark, salary as inspector of buildings, 1896-7.....	100 00
5697	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, April.....	100 00
5698	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, April.....	66 66
5699	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, April....	41 67
5700	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, April.....	9 90
5785	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, May.....	100 00
5786	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, May.....	66 66
5787	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, May....	41 67

No.		Amount.
5788	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, May.....	\$ 16 67
5789	J. W. Brislin, attending truancies.....	28 00
5790	F. L. Clark, attending truancies.....	40 00
5814	J. N. Woodfin, salary as assessor, 60 days. ...	180 00
5815	G. H. Verder, salary as assessor, 67 days.....	201 00
5816	W. A. Clark, salary as assessor, 60 days.....	180 00
5817	J. R. Bates, salary as clerk of assessors, 39 days	97 50
5818	F. H. Chapman, salary as clerk of assessors, six days .....	15 50
5859	P. F. McManus, salary as city attorney.....	100 00
5894	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, June.....	100 00
5895	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, June.....	66 66
5896	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, June....	41 67
5897	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, June.....	16 67
5898	J. W. Brislin, salary as truant officer.....	3 00
5972	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, July.....	100 00
5973	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, July.....	66 66
5974	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, July.....	41 67
5975	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, July .....	16 67
6040	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Aug.....	100 00
6041	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Aug.....	66 66
6042	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, Aug.....	41 67
6043	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, Aug.....	16 67
6122	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Sept.....	100 00
6123	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Sept.....	66 66
6124	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, Sept....	41 67
6123	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, September.....	16 67
6193	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Oct.....	100 00
6194	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Oct.....	66 66
6195	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, Oct.....	41 67
6196	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, October.....	16 67
6261	W. L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Nov.....	100 00
6262	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Nov.....	66 66
6263	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, Nov....	41 67
6264	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, November.....	16 67
6265	J. W. Brislin, salary as truant officer, Nov....	21 00
6309	Will L. Davis, salary as treasurer, Dec.....	100 00
6310	H. B. Whittier, salary as clerk, Dec.....	66 66

No.		Amount.
6311	C. N. Chamberlain, salary as janitor, Dec.....	\$ 41 67
6312	Dr. W. W. Townsend, salary as health officer, December.....	16 67
		<u>\$ 3,749 22</u>

### Police Department.

No.		Amount.
5347	Pay roll, January.....	\$ 360 00
5351	H. A. Sawyer & Co., broom and shovel.....	90
5357	A. W. Edson, straw.....	70
5365	T. C. Elworth, cleaning and filling beds.....	2 70
5485	Pay roll, February.....	368 00
5448	T. C. Elworth, salary as chief of police, 1896-7..	100 00
5515	Pay roll, March.....	255 00
5628	Pay roll, April.....	150 00
5710	Pay roll, May ..	158 00
5735	T. B. Kelley, work at station.....	75
5736	Rochester Clothing Co., helmet and cover.....	3 50
5823	Pay roll, June.....	200 00
5915	Pay roll, July.....	197 50
5936	Geo. W. Morse, repairing gates at station....	6 15
5981	The Tuttle Co., printing.....	7 95
5989	Pay roll, August.....	195 50
6069	Pay roll, September.....	156 00
6145	Pay roll, October.....	210 00
6160	Pierce & Billings, dark lanterns.....	1 30
6219	Pay roll, November.....	165 00
6279	Pay roll, December .....	186 60
		<u>\$ 2,725 22</u>

**Light Account.**

No.		Amount.
5369	Marble City Electric Co., lights, January.....	\$1,124 35
5370	People's Gas Light Co., lights, December '96 and January '97.....	33 80
5456	Marble City Electric Co., lights, February.....	1,020 37
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March.....	4 60
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, March .....	4 50
5541	Marble City Electric Co., lights, March.....	1,104 64
5542	People's Gas Light Co., lights, February.....	9 20
5616	People's Gas Light Co., lights, March.....	10 40
5653	Marble City Electric Co., lights, April.....	1,063 06
5705	People's Gas Light Co., lights, April .....	8 60
5742	Marble City Electric Co., lights, May.....	1,106 43
5804	People's Gas Light Co., lights, May.....	8 40
5858	Marble City Electric Co., lights, June.....	1,044 37
5941	Marble City Electric Co., lights, July.....	1,080 00
5942	People's Gas Light Co., lights, June.....	8 40
5983	People's Gas Light Co., lights, July.....	9 40
6012	Marble City Electric Co., lights, August.....	1,079 50
6058	People's Gas Light Co., lights, August.....	9 00
6100	Marble City Electric Co., lights, September...	1,050 23
6134	People's Gas Light Co., lights, September....	9 20
6176	Marble City Electric Co., lights, October.....	1,134 48
6209	People's Gas Light Co., lights, October.....	10 80
6253	Marble City Electric Co., lights, November....	1,071 46
6273	People's Gas Light Co., lights, November....	15 40
6297	Marble City Electric Co., lights, December....	1,094 33
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**Fire Department.**

No.		Amount.
5348	Pay roll, January .....	\$ 334 60
5351	H. A. Sawyer & Co., brooms, books, etc.....	3 70
5358	Burditt Bros., feed and coal. ....	70 93

No.		Amount.
5359	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., rent of telephones.....	\$ 14 00
5366	Moseley & Stoddard Manufacturing Co., stall slats .....	10 80
5367	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work, January.....	4 00
5368	Coolidge Cycle Co., hose expansion rings.....	1 80
5419	R. D. Beals, labor and supplies.....	3 95
5420	Burditt Bros., coal and feed.....	48 73
5436	Pay roll, February .....	369 34
5437	W. C. Landon, brush, straps, etc .....	5 11
5449	Moseley & Stoddard Manufacturing Co., work and lumber.....	2 46
5450	Dunn Bros. & Co .....	3 35
5451	M. A. Bourne, coal for steamer.....	12 34
5452	Landers & Hart, blacksmithing.....	20 23
5453	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work .....	3 81
5454	George W. Farr, work at station 2.....	1 00
5455	Dr. Robert Weir, medical attendance.....	2 00
5516	Pay roll, regulars, March and specials for three months.....	692 77
5520	Sidney Smith, salary in part as engineer, March .....	3 00
5522	L. W. Fuller, salary in part as draughtsman, March.....	3 00
5532	The E. S. Greeley & Co., blue stone and zines.	57 25
5533	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of telephones.....	14 00
5534	S. P. Curtis & Son, oats.....	14 52
5535	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work.....	4 69
5536	K. K. Hannum, paid freight.....	2 17
5537	Pierce & Billings, repairs and supplies.....	10 45
5538	C. W. Ward, chloro naphthol.....	3 12
5539	Duffy & Clifford, coal.....	28 75
5540	Burditt Bros., feed.....	24 78
5614	J. E. Gibson, repairing sleds and cutter.....	15 50
5615	A. F. Davis Feed Co., feed .....	22 12
5629	Pay roll, April.....	350 00
5632	W. C. Landon, hose, oil, clippers, etc.....	9 22
5633	L. G. Kingsley, dusters and rope.....	2 91
5636	Dunn Bros. & Co., brooms, etc .....	80
5646	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil and salt .....	90
5647	E. M. Pennock, straw.....	10 35
5648	H. F. Noyes, slabs.....	1 75
5649	Burditt Bros., feed.....	19 64
5650	Gleason & Bailey Manufacturing Co., lamp burners .....	1 50
5651	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing, March and April...	20 35

No.		Amount.
5652	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry, April.....	\$ 3 66
5711	Pay roll, May.....	350 00
5719	The Tuttle Co., printing.....	3 30
5723	Pierce & Billings, supplies and repairs.....	14 98
5724	Dunn Bros. & Co., gas boiler and fittings.....	3 60
5732	Lincoln Iron Works, supplies.....	20
5737	Burditt Bros., feed .....	22 43
5738	The Electric Gas Lighting Co., vitrol and jars.	22 63
5739	B. I. Bidgood, soap.....	3 37
5740	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing.....	6 70
5741	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work.....	5 69
5786	H. B. Whittier, paid freight.....	94
5824	Pay roll, June, and specials for three months..	703 25
5836	C. W. Ward, chloro naphthol.....	6 25
5852	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil .....	80
5853	L. Valquette, rubber boots.....	58 50
5854	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing.....	6 90
5855	Miller Smoke Protector Co., smoke protector..	5 00
5856	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work.....	5 06
5857	Stanley & Patterson, cross arms and insulators.	3 60
5908	George W. Morse, repairs and putting in whistle valve.....	33 66
5909	Bardy & Wilson, rubber coats.....	67 32
5910	New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., use of telephones.....	14 00
5916	Pay roll, July.....	345 00
5922	L. G. Kingsley, duster, brush, etc.....	2 74
5923	W. C. Landon, glass, nails, etc.....	33
5937	Burditt Bros., feed.....	22 76
5938	R. D. Beals, work and supplies, fire alarm....	13 86
5939	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work, July.....	3 86
5940	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing.....	7 50
5990	Pay roll, August.....	345 00
6006	Burditt Bros., feed.....	25 21
6007	F. W. Gary, soap, oil, etc.....	11 25
6008	Miner & Thomas, medicines, etc.....	5 85
6009	G. W. Morse, supplies and repairs.....	5 10
6010	E. H. Wood, laundry work, Aug.....	4 73
6011	New England Gamewell Co., fire alarm box, wire, etc.....	95 26
6021	E. D. Keyes, & Co.,oil, etc.....	1 25
6041	H. B. Whittier, paid express.....	30
6055	L. F. Miner, repairs.....	5 50
6056	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing.....	5 50
6057	B. I. Bidgood, soap.....	1 87
6070	Pay roll, September, and specials for three months.....	696 41

No.		Amount.
6075	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil and basket.....	\$ 1 10
6091	Burditt Bros., feed.....	52 23
6092	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing.....	7 00
6093	Moseley & Stoddard Manufacturing Co., lum- ber and labor. ....	2 64
6094	K. K. Hannum, paid freight, etc.....	6 95
6095	Gleason & Bailey Manufacturing Co., ex- change wheels for hose wagons.....	25 00
6096	Pierce & Billings, supplies and repairs.....	20 10
6097	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work.....	3 77
6098	E. M. Pennock, straw.....	9 48
6099	E. H. Wood, repairs at stations.....	3 45
6133	New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., use of telephones.....	14 00
6146	Pay roll, October.....	348 00
6151	Vermont Marble Co., coal.....	109 20
6154	C. W. Ward, chloro naphthol .....	6 25
6171	Stanley & Patterson, blue vitrol.....	18 48
6172	J. Martin, soap.....	1 00
6173	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing, October.....	5 63
6174	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work, October.....	3 43
6175	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil and soap.....	1 20
6208	L. Valquette, rubber boots.....	13 64
6218	Pay roll, November.....	349 50
6225	E. D. Keyes & Co., oil.....	1 60
6226	Moseley & Stoddard Manufacturing Co., lumber	28
6237	L. G. Kingsley, reseating chair.....	75
6239	The Electric Gas Lighting Co., zincs.....	27 37
6240	H. A. Sawyer & Co., brushes, mops, etc.....	4 88
6241	K. K. Hannum, freight paid.....	1 89
6242	Pierce & Billings, repairs and supplies.....	11 19
6243	B. K. Houston, work at station 1.....	2 50
6244	Miner & Thomas, medicine, etc.....	1 40
6245	City Drug Store, medicine, etc.....	1 55
6246	Dr. Robert Weir, medical attendance.....	5 25
6247	L. F. Miner, repairing wagon pole.....	75
6248	E. H. Wood, repairs at station.....	2 52
6249	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work, November..	5 53
6250	Burditt Bros., feed.....	29 76
6251	M. Gilrain, blacksmithing, November.....	8 63
6252	Barrett Bros., polish and supplies.....	5 30
6272	Pay roll, Dec., and specials for three months..	706 21
6294	Burditt Bros., feed.....	20 38
6295	Mrs. E. H. Wood, laundry work, etc.....	7 09
6296	George E. Chalmers, framing cards.....	4 05
		\$7,017 74

**Liquor Account.**

No.	Amount.
5370 People's Gas Light Co., lights, December '96 and Jan. '97.....	\$ 3 80
5411 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, January and paid freight.....	55 24
5412 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, January.....	30 00
5413 John O'Neil, liquor .....	361 96
5414 S. F. Pitts & Co., liquor.....	50 00
5427 John O'Neil, liquor.....	160 50
5428 S. F. Pitts & Co., liquor.....	120 00
5429 J. M. Bell & Co., liquor.....	305 50
5432 L. W. Fuller measuring liquor.....	2 00
5505 J. M. Bell & Co., liquor.....	292 50
5506 Wood, Pollard & Co.....	109 25
5507 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, February, and paid freight.....	60 45
5508 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, February .....	30 00
5523 L. W. Fuller, services.....	1 00
5542 People's Gas Light Co., lights, February.....	1 60
5594 F. P. Robinson, coal .....	6 00
5604 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, March, and paid freight.....	62 54
5605 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, March.....	30 00
5606 W. A. Vandercook Co., liquor.....	103 00
5607 F. W. Hunt, liquor.....	60 00
5608 S. F. Pitts & Co., liquor.....	120 00
5609 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	110 40
5610 J. M. Bell & Co., liquor.....	302 00
5611 Holden & Clay, liquor.....	189 89
5616 People's Gas Light Co , lights, March.....	1 50
5623 L. W. Fuller, taking inventory.....	3 75
5624 J. M. Bell & Co., liquor.....	30 75
5625 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	108 81
5701 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, April, and paid freight.....	52 09
5702 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, April.....	30 00
5703 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	108 81
5705 People's Gas Light Co., lights, April.....	1 50
5706 Holden & Clay, liquor.....	88 59
5707 William Taylor, liquor.....	33 90

No.	Amount.
5719 The Tuttle Co., record book.....	\$ 2 50
5791 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, May, and paid freight.....	56 00
5792 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, May.....	30 00
5793 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	103 97
5798 H. B. Whittier, paid express.....	84
5804 People's Gas Light Co., lights, May.....	1 50
5810 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	105 17
5811 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	50 47
5812 A. L. Weeks, deputy collector, revenue stamp.	25 00
5813 New England Fire Insurance Co., insurance..	22 40
5899 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, June, and paid freight.....	55 81
5900 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, June.....	30 00
5901 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	107 05
5902 William Taylor, liquor.....	33 25
5913 American Distributing Co.....	108 22
5942 People's Gas Light Co., lights, June.....	1 50
5973 H. B. Whittier, paid express.....	40
5976 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, July, and paid freight.....	96 54
5977 Estate of George Richardson, rent of store, July .....	30 00
5980 Holden & Clay, liquor.....	64 84
5981 William Taylor, liquor.....	16 25
5983 People's Gas Light Co., lights, July.....	1 50
5985 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	107 72
5986 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	62 94
6044 R. L. Rose Co., liquor.....	1,513 41
6045 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	104 36
6046 Foe, Fultz & Co., corks.....	7 31
6047 E. H. Wood, salary as agent , August and paid freight.....	52 22
6048 Estate of Geo. Richardson, rent of store, Aug- ust.....	30 00
6058 People's Gas Light Co., lights, August.....	1 50
6059 The Tuttle Co., record book.....	2 50
6068 American Distributing Co., liquor.....	106 95
6126 E. H. Wood, salary as agent, August, and paid freight.....	52 66
6127 Estate of Geo. Richardson, rent of store, Sep- tember.....	30 00
6128 Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	66 98
6134 People's Gas Light Co., lights September.....	1 50
6138 Holden & Clay, liquor.....	88 05

No.		Amount.
6139	Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor.....	\$ 105 93
6140	H. A. Blanchard & Co., liquor.....	19 00
6141	American Distributing Co., liquor.....	107 27
6142	The Meick Pharmacy, analysis of liquor.....	37 50
6151	Vermont Marble Co., coal.....	4 65
6197	American Distributing Co., liquor.....	106 41
6198	R. L. Rose Co., liquor.....	158 65
6199	E. H. Wood, salary as agent, October, and paid freight.....	56 69
6170	Estate of Geo. Richardson, rent of store, October.....	30 00
6209	People's Gas Light Co., lights, October.....	1 50
6266	American Distributing Co., liquor.....	215 43
6267	W. A. Vandercrook Co., liquor.....	190 00
6268	Wm. Taylor, liquor.....	30 55
6269	E. H. Wood, salary as agent, November, and paid for sundries.....	57 40
6270	Estate of Geo. Richardson, rent of store, November.....	30 00
6273	People's Gas Light Co., lights, November.....	1 50
6313	E. H. Wood, salary as agent, December, and paid freight .....	52 95
6314	Estate of Geo. Richardson rent of store, December.....	30 00
6315	L. W. Fuller, taking inventory, etc.....	4 25
		<hr/> \$ 7,438 32

**Interest Account.**

No.		Amount.
5415	Interest on bonds, Series I, and on water bond.	\$ 1,112 50
5603	Discount on temporary loan warrant, No. 81...	853 88
5626	Interest on bonds.....	8,900 00
5709	Interest on bonds.....	700 00
5819	Interest on state tax warrant.....	128 80
5980	Interest on water bonds.....	762 50
6201	Interest on bonds and temporary loan warrant.	9,066 66

No.		Amount.
6214	Interest on bonds.....	\$ 700 00
6275	Interest on U. S. surplus fund.....	1,254 95
		<hr/> \$23,479 29

**Sidewalks.**

No.		Amount.
5510	A. L. Adams, building walks.....	\$ 187 28
5528	A. L. Adams, building walks.....	53 36
		<hr/> \$ 240 64

**Water Extension.**

No.		Amount.
5511	Bromley & White, Attorneys, account Inman Bros., due on contract for laying water pipe.....	\$ 701 24
		<hr/> \$ 701 24

**Temporary Loan Warrant Account.**

No.		Amount.
6143	Temporary loan warrants, Nos. 80, 81 and 82...	\$70,000 00
		<hr/> \$ 70,000 00

**Detailed Statement by the Committee on Finance.****BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.****NEW BUILDINGS ACCOUNT—WARD 10 AND 11.**

Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898.

No.	Amount.
791 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	\$ 65 25
792 Smith & Anthony, payment on furnaces, ward 10.....	675 00
797 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract .....	769 25
798 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	126 63
799 Stickney & Austin, architects, ward 10.....	400 00
800 Stickney & Austin, architects, ward 11 (balance)	250 00
805 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	69 75
810 A. L. Adams, walks, ward 11.....	293 55
814 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	63 00
815 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	245 61
818 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	217 35
819 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	69 75
878 Mike Cronan, labor, ward 10.....	2 55
879 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	1,215 50
885 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	65 25
887 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	462 70
897 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	2,000 00
898 Shedd & Son, dirt, ward 10.....	30 30
900 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	69 75
927 W. H. Field, labor, ward 10, inspector, etc....	58 50
929 C. E. Paige, labor, etc., ward 10, contract.....	2,628 99
930 W. H. Field, ward 10, inspector, etc.....	9 00
932 Chaffee's Sons, supplies, ward 10.....	17 25
933 Carbon Slate Co., slate black boards, ward 10..	139 02
946 Chappell & Smith, plans, etc., ward 10.....	628 80
964 Vermont School Seat Co., seats, ward 10.....	260 38
971 Stickney & Austin, architects, ward 10.....	250 76
974 Marshall & Bragg, clocks, ward 10.....	42 50
992 F. D. Shedd, filling, ward 10.....	73 15
1013 F. D. Shedd, filling and labor, ward 10.....	249 52
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	\$ 11,449 06

Note—Balance in Treasurer's hands January 1, 1898, on this account, \$1,967.30.

**General Fund Account.**

Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898.

Jan. 1, 1897.	No.	Amount.
	793 J. P. White, carpenter work, repairs.....	\$ 11 00
	794 H. O. Edson, work and slabs.....	68 26
	795 W. M. Davis, labor repairs.....	18 00
	801 Chas. Sterns & Co., supplies.....	5 90
	802 A. Turner, superintendent, pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,797 53
	803 T. F. King, vital statistics, required by law....	75 75
	804 Plumbing & Heating Co., repairs.....	120 16
	806 Tuttle Co., supplies .....	87 31
	807 Geo. E. Pelton, printing school manuals, 1896.	336 00
	808 Higgins Drug Co., supplies .....	17 35
	809 Buff & Berger, supplies.....	25 00
	811 Tuttle Co., materials.....	216 93
	812 L. Case, carpenter work, repairs.....	28 00
	813 A. Turner, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,781 89
	816 A. Turner, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors .....	2,782 31
	817 H. & R. E. Todd, slabs.....	5 50
	820 American Book Co., supplies.....	6 20
	821 G. A. Bucklin, oil.....	5 41
	822 L. A. Baker, labor .....	1 00
	823 S. E. Burnham, insurance .....	22 50
	824 Boston School Supply Co., Text books .....	100 00
	825 Boston Music Co., music supplies.....	5 63
	826 F. W. Gary, sundries, supplies.....	4 08
	827 R. M. Spaulding, wood.....	27 00
	828 Vermont Marble Co., coal.....	1,762 17
	829 A. Turner, express, postage, etc .....	6 75
	830 Tuttle Co., supplies and repairs account.....	116 92
	831 H. O. Edson, fuel and repairs.....	30 64
	832 W. C. Landon, repairs.....	169 80
	833 J. L. Hammett Co., supplies, maps, etc .....	24 15
	834 Tuttle Co., materials.....	49 57
	835 E. H. Wood, repairs .....	14 56
	836 C. E. Channell, repairs .....	3 06
	837 J. E. Porter, labor .....	1 25
	838 H. O. Edson, fuel and repairs.....	86 54
	839 Western Publishing Co., Text books .....	288 40
	840 F. D. White, traveling expenses, etc.....	17 00
	841 A. W. Edson, wood.....	18 00

No.		Amount.
842	G. E. Chalmers, Text books and repairs .....	20 36
843	D. P. Peabody, assignee, repairs.....	4 10
844	G. H. & H. W. Cheney, sundries.....	2 45
845	Columbian Marble Co., marble.....	6 00
846	Chapman & Ross, rent Graves bldg., 6 mos....	87 50
847	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg. Co., repairs.....	53 92
848	J. Wynne, labor.....	2 50
849	G. E. Lawrence, att'y (order assigned) repairs	12 20
850	Vt. School Seat Co., repairs.....	4 75
851	Tracy & Moran, repairs.....	17 18
852	G. Sadie Smith, typewriting.....	3 25
853	Sheldon & Co., Text books.....	28 70
854	M. Stearns, soap, etc.....	5 72
855	C. H. Cleveland, labor.....	3 00
856	Silver, Burdett & Co., books and supplies.....	32 10
857	W. A. Ross, trucking.....	1 15
858	Ross, Huntress & Co., supplies .....	30
859	The Morse Co., supplies.....	6 06
860	Lincoln Iron Wks, repairs.....	30 20
861	King Richardson Pub. Co., supplies .....	17 12
862	L. G. Kingsley, repairs.....	6 80
863	D. C. Heath & Co., Text books.....	26 62
864	D. C. Heath & Co., Text books.....	4 69
865	Rutland Herald, advertising.....	4 61
866	B. K. Houston, repairs.....	6 90
867	J. H. Holmes & Co., repairs.....	96 05
868	A. N. Jenne, trucking.....	1 20
869	B. H. Farr, trucking.....	2 00
870	A. W. Emery, oil.....	3 00
871	Duffy & Clifford, sundries, supplies.....	6 30
872	E. H. Wood, repairs .....	2 75
873	L. F. Hubbard, repairs and clocks .....	12 00
874	Plumbing & Heating Co., repairs.....	17 33
875	J. W. Stearns, chairs.....	12 00
876	Vandorn & Tilson, sundries, supplies.....	5 46
877	Vermont Marble Co., coal (balance).....	473 86
880	Prang Educational Co., drawing material sup- plies .....	265 51
881	J. L. Hammett Co., school supplies.....	32 54
882	C. W. Ward, school supplies.....	10 45
883	Dunn Bros. & Co., repairs.....	42 96
884	A. Turner, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,790 40
886	A. Turner, diplomas for schools.....	27 80
888	Tuttle Co., supplies.....	60 00
889	W. M. Davis, labor, repairs.....	2 25

No.		Amount.
890	N. R. Porter, labor, repairs.....	\$ 2 00
891	Brehmer Bros., supplies .....	3 15
892	Vail & Farnham, soap and oil .....	4 70
893	A. N. Jenne, trucking.....	75
894	Ira P. White, carpenter work, repairs .....	9 20
895	Western Pub. Co., Text books .....	7 46
896	C. W. Mussey, Sec., census and bills paid .....	155 35
899	A. Turner, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,753 61
901	A. Turner, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,078 64
902	C. W. Mussey, cash advanced, postage and adv., supplies.....	23 47
903	A. C. Thompson, graduating expenses, 1897....	25 00
July 1, 1897.		
904	C. W. Mussey, cash advanced, repairs.....	9 25
905	F. G. Smith, building fence.....	38 95
906	Brehmer Bros., music, graduating exercises, 1897.....	25 00
907	N. E. Fire Ins. Co., insurance.....	22 50
908	People's Gas Light Co., gas .....	31 50
909	C. E. Channell, repairs .....	1 43
910	American Book Co., Text books.....	73 70
911	F. C. Houghton, supplies.....	1 30
912	Cahee & Packer, chairs.....	5 90
913	Combination Cash Store Co., supplies.....	2 69
914	Ross, Huntress & Co., supplies.....	2 25
915	P. W. Ziegler & Co., supplies .....	5 00
916	O. Ditson & Co., music supplies.....	6 48
917	Boston Music Co., music supplies.....	9 60
918	Dunn Bros. Co., sundries .....	3 42
919	Tuttle Co., supplies.....	62 43
920	Coolidge Cycle Co., repairs.....	4 50
921	Chaffee's Sons, sundries .....	3 38
922	L. G. Kingsley, sundries.....	9 04
923	H. F. Noyes, repairs .....	1 60
924	W. C. Landon, repairs .....	27 61
925	Williams & Rogers, supplies Com'l. Dept.....	4 50
926	C. W. Mussey, salary as Sec'y 1 year .....	50 00
928	J. E. Porter, cleaning, trucking, etc.....	36 00
934	Bela Dexter, carpenter work, repairs.....	10 99
935	Vail & Farnham, oil, etc.....	6 00
936	Tuttle and Gale expenses as to Supt. schools...	16 85
937	W. W. Tower, labor, repairs .....	56 85
938	J. H. Holmes & Co., repairs .....	18 60
939	G. A. Bucklin, soap, oil, etc.....	3 55
940	Vermont Marble Co., coal.....	218 69

No.	Amount.	
941	People's Gas Light Co., gas .....	\$ 8 70
942	E. D. Snow, ptg. and adv .....	38 40
943	Ginn & Co., supplies and Text books.....	4 85
944	Plumbing & Heating Co., repairs.....	37 29
945	L. Case, carpenter work, repairs.....	13 80
947	Plumbing & Heating Co., repairs.....	93 30
948	A. R. Porter, labor, repairs.....	9 00
949	F. Crowley, labor, repairs.....	8 00
950	Chapman & Ross, rent Graves building, (Court Sq.) 6 mos.....	87 50
951	Vermont School Seat Co., repairs.....	1 98
952	Mrs. Flanders, allowance on line fence .....	2 70
953	Holmes & Co., repairs.....	77 30
954	A. Turner, trucking.....	2 00
955	E. Alexander, labor .....	3 13
956	Vail & Farnham, oil, etc.....	2 45
957	H. A. Harman, expenses as to superintendent schools.....	51 32
958	J. E. Creed, labor, repairs, high school.....	10 72
959	H. O. Edson, repairs and fuel .....	34 40
960	Will L. Davis, Treas , pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,831 66
961	S. E. Burnham, insurance.....	174 08
962	W. M. Davis, labor, repairs.....	21 01
963	Tuttle Co., sundries, express, freight, etc.....	494 99
965	Eagle Pencil Co., supplies.....	56 25
966	H. O. Edson, repairs and fuel.....	83 97
967	B. K. Houston, fire repairs, high school.....	150 28
968	A. N. Jenne, repairs.....	6 00
969	A. N. Jenne, trucking and sundries.....	2 89
970	Rutland Trust Co., rent assigned, Sheldon Hose house, 1 year.....	120 00
972	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies.....	1 60
973	J. E. Creed, repairs.....	2 50
975	Prang Educational Co., drawing material and supplies.....	254 28
976	Boston School Supply Co., Text books.....	70 00
977	Sheldon & Co., Text books.....	14 88
978	Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, Text books.....	19 42
979	American Book Co., Text books.....	87 32
980	Silver, Burdett & Co., school supplies.....	45 00
981	Western Publishing House, Text books.....	222 12
983	W. A. Clark, insurance.....	13 00
984	Smith Typewriter Co., typewriter Coml. Dept.	70 00
985	B. A. Resseguie, labor, repairs .....	4 73
986	E. H. Wood, labor, repairs.....	5 60
987	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg Co., repairs .....	78

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No.	Amount.	
988	F. M. Grow, sundries.....	\$ 5 50
989	L. L. Pearsons, repairing mowing machines...	1 75
990	W. A. Frasier, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors.....	2,804 86
991	C. W. Mussey, cash advanced, repairs, etc.....	69 38
993	W. P. Jones, repairs.....	44 30
994	J. E. Porter, trucking, etc .....	3 65
995	A. L. Davis, wood.....	75 00
996	H. O. Edson, wood.....	77 67
997	Tuttle Co., supplies and materials .....	94 58
998	G. E. Chalmers, sundries and supplies.....	9 80
999	C. D. Ross, repairs.....	1 50
1000	B. K. Houston, repairs.....	5 00
1001	Taylor & Co., supplies.....	6 60
1002	A. N. Jenne, trucking, etc .....	1 35
1003	Vail & Farnham, oil, etc. ....	1 25
1004	F. W. Gary, oil, etc.....	1 26
1005	Hinds & Noble, school supplies.....	3 90
1006	Prang Educational Co., drawing materials and supplies.....	38 40
1007	Sheldon & Co., Text books.....	24 80
1008	Werner School Book Co., Text books.....	12 00
1009	Silver, Burdett & Co., Text books .....	95 00
1010	J. L. Hammett & Co., supplies .....	3 20
1011	Moseley & Stoddard Mfg Co., repairs.....	6 12
1012	W. A. Frasier, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors .....	2,851 25
1014	W. A. Frasier, Supt., pay roll, salaries, teachers and janitors .....	2,833 43
1015	W. C. Landon, repairs and wood.....	305 22
1016	H. O. Edson, repairs and wood.....	81 71
1017	S. E. Burnham, insurance.....	112 50
		\$ 37,032 63

NOTE.—Balance Jan. 1, 1898, in Treasurer's hands on this account, \$5,838.68.

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

OF THE

**Board of School Commissioners.**

The statement of orders drawn by the Finance Committee of the Board of School Commissioners, as published in the City Report, covers six months of the previous and six months of the current school year, which will end June 30th, 1898; and the receipts credited to the general fund since March, 1897, consist of the last appropriation of \$35,000 made by the City Council, and income from other sources of \$4,145.13, making a total credited to the General Account of \$39,145.13, which receipts were in excess of the total disbursements for the 12 months herein reported.

The deficiency, however, in the previous three years, as reported by the School Board in their yearly Manuals, on account of four items of unexpected demands, exhausted their funds. These items were as follows:—

Sanitary Expert's bill as reported,	-	\$ 433 60
Extraordinary repairs demanded by the State and City Board of Health to school houses, estim'td,	{	8,700 00
Free text book act, Vt. Legisla- ture 1894, required to be fur- nished in 1895	{	2,875 00
Purchase of the Pond lot as an addition to the High School	{	3,850 00
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		\$15,858 60

These bills have all been paid from the General Fund. For the four years previous to 1897 no appropriation was made by the City Council averaging larger than \$30,000. The schools have never had an appropriation equal to the tax limit, notwithstanding that the number of pupils in the schools has increased 20 per cent in four years, requiring 50 teachers where only 42 were necessary four years ago; and while the average appropriation for four years previous to 1897, as stated, has been only \$30,000, there has been a steady demand for increased school accommodations, requiring one-fifth more teachers and janitors and more school buildings, with no corresponding increase in moneys appropriated to meet the regular bills, to say nothing of the extraordinary expenses which could not have been avoided.

We are using about 500 tons per year of coal now, making an increase in the cost of coal alone of about \$500.00 a year. (Three new school buildings.)

In 1896 we purchased our coal for \$4.90 per gross ton delivered, against \$5.20 per gross ton for the year 1897.

Summing up therefore the increase in school expenses over four years ago, or since our City was organized, the result would be as follows:—

Eight extra teachers at \$375 a year (average)	-	\$3,000 00
Three extra janitors at \$200 a year (average)	-	600 00
Supt. of Schools (extra over 1894)	-	1,100 00
Coal, three extra buildings	-	500 00
Insurance	-	100 00
Outside building rented	-	175 00
Free text books per year	-	600 00
Misc. expenses, light, etc.	-	200 00
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Per year,	-	\$6,275 00

This shows that the necessary fixed charges have increased more than one-sixth, and unless the enrollment of pupils, now 1,601, including the High School and commercial department, ceases to increase, the annual expenses must necessarily be larger. The average attendance in 1894-'95 was 1,358; the next year 1,426, the last 1,481, and the enrollment as stated for the current year, 1,601. These statistics will explain why the School Commissioners, as provided in the City Charter, recommend that such a sum be appropriated as would be raised by a tax of 50 cents on a dollar of the grand list of 1898, and credited to the general Fund of the School Commissioners.

Any appropriation voted in March will not be available until fall, under a new ruling of the City Officials. This will leave the amount stated below as necessary to carry the General Fund Account to July, 1898, as represented by bills to be paid as follows:—

Four Pay Rolls of teachers, janitors and Supt., for March, April, May and June, 1898	}\$11,320 00
Coal bill now due Vt. Marble Co.	1,920 00
Coal necessary to run the schools until June, estimated	500 00
Four months misc., bills to complete school year, estimated	2,500 00
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	\$16,240 00

We shall have cash to apply on these bills from the Huntington Fund and state tax on or before July 10th, of about 2,000 00

Balance, \$14,240 00

No indebtedness is unsatisfied. We submit statistics of Superintendent of Schools and table showing repairs to school buildings for four and one-half years, and school statistics gathered by the President of the Board, showing expenses in other cities and towns on account of schools. All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. LANDON, } Finance Com.  
H. O. EDSON, } Board of  
G. T. CHAFFEE, } School Com.

**STATISTICS OF**

**SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.**

Number of school rooms,	-	-	42
Number of teachers with superintendent,	-	50	
Substitute teachers,	-	-	2
Number of janitors,	-	-	8
Largest number in attendance at any one time, 1896	1601		
Highest number enrolled this year, (1897)	1633		
Highest number enrolled last year, (1896)	1529		
Excess over last year of registered pupils,	104		
Average attendance in 1894-'95,	1358		
Average attendance in 1895-'96,	1426		
Average attendance in 1896-'97,	1481		

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. FRASIER,  
Supt. of Schools.

**School Building Repairs Since Organization of City.**

YEARS.	High School.	Center Street.	Madison Street.	Woodstock Avenue.	Ward 11.	Ward 10.	School Street.	Court Square.	Ward 9.	Ward 8.	Sheldon Hose House (Rented). and buildings lot).	Two houses and buildings lot).	Buildings. House.	
From July 1, 1893 to July 1, 1894. ....	\$ 1,008 02	\$ 246 86	\$ 105 02	\$ 130 20	\$ 16 77	\$ 155 90	\$ 285 36	\$ 904 36	\$ 1,047 89	\$ 71 51	\$ 444 48	46 91	1 80	Vacated.
From July 1, 1894 to July 1, 1895. ....	297 68	109 61	33 13	1,157 74	5 57	17 33	231 44	117 85	20 84	6 64	95 18	704 99	26 25	56 50
From July 1, 1895 to July 1, 1896. ....	3,664 12	2,070 45	335 74	149 91	47 80	54 92	97 84					246 46		
From July 1, 1896 to July 1, 1897. ....	302 13	212 42	75 69	1,874 40	10 15	307 20	225 89					45 30	206 09	
From July 1, '97 to July 1, '98, 6 mos.	342 30	87 41	68 63	43 07	56 73	28 70	72 44	84 56						
	\$ 5,814 25	\$ 2,726 75	\$ 613 21	\$ 3,355 32	\$ 137 02	\$ 564 05	\$ 912 97	\$ 1,113 41	\$ 1,235 46	\$ 1,275 96	\$ 502 73			

The High School report covers sanitary repairs and fire repairs. The Church Street report shows sanitary repairs in 1895-96. Madison Street report shows sanitary repairs of 1896-97. Two rented buildings had to be prepared for schools as shown in Court Square report 1894, and Sheldon Hose House report of 1895. Ward 10 report includes over \$900, paid on old Center Rutland school house, which was taken away by division of city, and the school fund lost the repairs made.

CITY OF RUTLAND.

## School Statistics from 29 Towns and Cities in New England.

Compiled by E. C. Tuttle,  
President of  
Rutland School Commiss-  
sioners.

Compiled by E. C. Tuttle, President of Rutland School Commis- sioners.	Population.	Number of School Rooms.	Free Text Books.	Tuition Received.	City Appropria- tion for Public Schools	Money from other Sources.	Grand List.	Number of Regular Teachers.	Number of Janitors.	Number of Pupils Enrolled 1897.	Total Cost Running Expenses.
Rutland, Vt.	13,000	42	Yes.	\$ 24 00	\$ 35,000 00	\$ 4,145 13	\$ 85,863 52	50	8	1,633	\$ 37,032 63
Burlington, Vt.	14,500	48	Yes.	1,724 00	33,600 00	6,204 52	123,799 43	57	10	2,004	44,678 51
Northampton, Mass.	17,630	61	Yes.	580 46	60,000 00	164 43	51,533 42	80	18	3,493	51,533 42
No. Adams, Mass.	20,000	56	Yes.	400 00	85,000 00	.....	.....	79	11	3,514	60,000 00
Everett, Mass.	20,000	78	Yes.	.....	141,300 00	.....	.....	101	10	3,890	80,030 00
Malden, Mass.	31,009	18	Yes.	709 00	41,375 00	.....	.....	160	19	4,890	127,000 00
Weymouth, Mass.	11,911	21	Yes.	42 50	51,300 00	11,408 40	.....	56	17	2,291	43,156 41
Woburn, Mass.	14,176	54	Yes.	215 00	84,835 00	.....	.....	65	11	2,763	54,676 96
Quiney, Mass.	21,817	11	Yes.	.....	70,000 00	.....	.....	110	11	4,688	84,743 00
Pitfield, Mass.	21,000	25	Yes.	400 00	52,030 00	.....	.....	104	10	4,237	73,000 00
Marlboro, Mass.	15,000	50	Yes.	.....	23,000 00	.....	.....	65	5	3,900	56,000 00
New London, Conn.	16,000	6	No.	1,030 00	53,500 00	7,030 00	.....	55	6	3,918	37,000 00
Stamford, Conn.	18,500	29	No.	400 00	39,981 11	9,000 00	.....	85	7	3,435	58,852 51
Danbury, Conn.	19,530	68	No.	.....	50,000 00	.....	.....	67	6	3,854	39,981 11
New Britain, Conn.	25,000	8	Yes.	400-500 00	.....	.....	.....	88	8	3,600	50,000 00
Norwich, Conn.	10,030	35	No.	.....	46,443 00	.....	.....	33	4	1,158	27,353 57
Concord, N. H.	17,004	16	Yes.	488 00	.....	3,170 76	.....	62	6	2,489	48,004 02
Dover, N. H.	12,779	14	Yes.	408 08	59,000 00	.....	.....	45	4	1,469	29,473 41
Nashua, N. H.	30,000	81	Yes.	400 00	23,500 00	.....	.....	92	11	3,696	59,827 33
Auburn, Me.	13,000	Yes.	400 00	63,144 84	10,100 00	37,000 00	70	12	1,880	83,900 00	
Newport, R. I.	21,537	53	Yes.	1,021 33	66,340 11	12,287 40	80,023 60	102	11	2,788	79,174 21
Waltham, Mass.	20,877	14	Yes.	.....	34,000 00	6,650 00	72,990 00	93	11	2,761	72,990 00
Clinton, Mass.	12,000	37	Yes.	450 00	44,123 00	.....	.....	45	11	1,945	33,000 00
Bangor, Me.	25,000	27	Yes.	387 14	107,000 00	14,504 40	.....	102	13	3,502	60,759 61
Fitchburg, Mass.	28,000	21	Yes.	150 00	125,630 00	.....	.....	120	25	4,925	107,000 00
Brookline, Mass.	17,000	17	Yes.	2,558 19	23,000 00	.....	.....	110	12	3,188	119,664 69
Newburyport, Mass.	14,554	16	Yes.	288 12	31,000 00	675 00	28,967 42	48	7	1,905	24,935 05
Ansonia, Conn.	12,000	6	No.	.....	37,000 00	.....	.....	47	6	2,270	30,999 40
Lewiston, Me.	25,000	70	Yes.	300 00	50,791 63	20,000 00	47,300 00	70	6	3,200	47,000 00

Above are Cities and Towns in New England of not less than 10,000 and not over 30,000 population.

**For 1898, Burlington, Vt. School Commissioners ask for an appropriation of \$52,300 and \$5,500 is expected from other sources.**

Rutland Free Library.

OFFICERS FOR 1897.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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MR. HENRY F. FIELD.

NAMES OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIA-  
TION FOR 1897.

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Aiken, Misses	Lewis, Mrs. E. C.
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Chalmers, Mrs. Geo. E.	Perkins, Mrs. C. A.
Cramton, Mrs. J. W.	Pierpoint, Miss J.
Dana, Mrs. E.	Pollard, Mrs. B. F.
Dorr, Mrs. J. C. R.	Ripley, Mrs. W. Y. W.
Farmer, Mrs. A. H.	Ross, Mrs. A. De L.
Fay, Mrs. J. J.	Ross, Mrs. J. W.
Field, Mrs. H. F.	Rust, Mrs. H.
Fisher, Mrs. S. L.	Silliman, Mrs. G. L.
Gale, Mrs. C. A.	Smith, Miss H. B.
Gary, Mrs. F. W.	Smith, Mrs. W. H.
Harris, Mrs. C. P.	Taylor, Mrs. M. B.
Higgins, Mrs. A. W.	Townsend, Mrs. W. W.
Humphrey, Miss Julia P.	Tuttle, Mrs. A. H.
Hyde, Mrs. A. W.	Weed, Mrs. M. E.
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Kingsley, Mrs. N. P.	Willis, Mrs. G. W.
Lawrence, Mrs. Geo. L.	Woodfin, Mrs. J. N.
	Woodhouse, Mrs. G. W.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

*Ladies of the Rutland Free Library Association:*

The twelfth annual report is herewith respectfully submitted.

## STATISTICS.

Number of volumes in the library, Feb. 1, 1897..	10,817
Increase by purchase.....	495
Increase by gift.....	53
Increase by binding periodicals.....	92
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Total increase.....	640
Number of volumes lost and replaced.....	2
Number of volumes worn out and replaced ....	74
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Number of volumes in the library, Feb. 1. 1898	11,057
Circulation for 1897.....	63,243
Circulation for 1896.....	59,350
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Increase in circulation for 1897.....	3,893
Number of cards issued to teachers during 1897	86
Number of cards issued to teachers during 1896	84
Number of books drawn by teachers during 1897	3,511
Number of books drawn by teachers during 1896	3,236
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Increase in number of books drawn by teachers	275
Number of days the library has been open.....	303
Largest daily delivery, April 10.....	683
Smallest daily delivery, May 27.....	47
Average daily delivery.....	209
Amount received from fines, sale of catalogues	\$ 95 90
Amount received from association fees.....	55 00
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Number of periodicals in the reading rooms,	
February 1, 1897.....	70
Discontinued during the year.....	21
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	49

MARY L. TITCOMB.

LIST OF PERIODICALS IN THE READING  
ROOMS OF THE RUTLAND  
FREE LIBRARY.

## MAGAZINES.

American Antiquarian.	London Graphic.
American Architect.	McClure's.*
American Machinist.*	Magazine of Art.
Bookman.	Munsey's.
Catholic World.	Music.
Chataquan.	Nineteenth Century.
Cosmopolis.	North American Review.
Critic.	Outing.
Illustrated American.	Peterson Magazine.
Illustrated London News.	Public Libraries.
Lippincott's Magazine.	Review of Reviews.
Literary News.	Scientific American.
Library Journal.	Scientific American (Builders' and Architects' Edition).
Literary Digest.	

## NEWSPAPERS.

Barre Enterprise.*	New York Sunday Tribune.
Bellows Falls Times.*	New York Sun (Daily).
Brandon Union.*	Boston Transcript (Daily).
Brattleboro Reformer.*	Rutland Herald (Daily).*
Christian Register.*	Outlook.
Forest and Stream.	Publishers' Weekly.
Harpers Weekly.	St. Johnsbury Caledonian.*
Institute Journal.*	St. Johnsbury Republican.*
Vergennes Vermonter.*	

\*Represents periodicals given.

Tabulated Statement of Circulation for 1897.

## Yearly Circulation from 1888 to 1898.

CLASS,	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	10 years
Magazines .....	1802	2043	3074	3330	3355	4070	4566	3901	4545	5862	36548
Theology .....	92	54	86	145	117	176	288	224	342	424	1928
Miscellany .....	532	447	553	675	901	1263	1294	1983	2320	2449	12422
French .....	581	572	344	292	223	207	349	302	284	307	3461
Fiction .....	21350	20164	22360	25466	27805	32111	37229	38981	41477	43762	310705
Travel .....	2219	2151	2822	2348	2389	2434	2725	3186	2900	2462	25726
Poetry and art .....	963	782	918	976	1093	1314	1406	1513	1695	1766	12426
History .....	2025	1743	2477	2555	2644	2832	3127	3571	3480	3956	28410
Natural science .....	919	733	911	887	1060	1506	2037	2345	1673	1722	13723
Political and social science.	212	330	232	235	302	346	358	486	634	503	3628
Total .....	30695	29019	33767	36909	39889	46265	53379	56391	50350	63243	448917

TREASURER'S REPORT OF RUTLAND  
FREE LIBRARY.

From February 6th, 1897, to February 17th, 1898.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand from last report .....	\$ 2,651 32
Appropriations.....	150 00
Fines, bulletins, etc.....	95 90
Association fees.....	55 00
Sundries .....	8 84
	<u><u>\$2,961 06</u></u>

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries.....	\$ 1,101 04
Books.....	1,240 24
Binding .....	281 80
Printing and advertising.....	77 85
Incidental expenses.....	235 84
	<u><u>\$2,936 77</u></u>
Balance.....	24 29
	<u><u>\$2,961 06</u></u>
Amount on hand.....	\$24 29

We hold as special funds the following:—

The Theo. L. Smith trust fund.....	\$ 1,000 00
Accumulated interest to January 1, 1898... ...	82 43—\$1,082 43
The Joel B. Harris fund.....	652 44
Accumulated interest to January 1, 1898... ...	96 88— 749 32
The Seaver fund.....	300 00
Accumulated interest to February 1, 1898.. ...	25 80— 325 80
	<u><u>\$2,157 55</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,  
FLORENCE B. CRAMTON,  
Treasurer.I have examined the above accounts and found  
them correct as stated. Sustained by vouchers.N. H. BOTTEUM,  
Auditor.

## REPORT OF THE Vice-President.

### *Members of the Rutland Free Library Association:*

In the absence of our beloved President who has been so near death's door and who is still unable to send to you her word of greeting, it becomes my duty as vice-President to give a brief outline of the year's work of the Free Library. The increase in the circulation of books the past year has been 3,893, which shows that the books are read, and the steady increase in all departments proves that the demands are greater each year.

Our efficient librarian and faithful assistant have been unremitting in their efforts to please, and meet the needs of all classes. The work in connection with the schools of our city could be made more effective by having a room where the teachers could come with their pupils. This is an important feature of the library work to which our librarian has given much time and study. I am very sorry to report that this carefully-selected and well-equipped library is cramped financially. No books have been purchased since January, and the reading room is closed for lack of funds to purchase periodicals. I wish to say here that the appropriation voted in March is not available until the following November, and must last until the next November. This has generally been misunderstood by members of the Association and by

some of our business men. You will see by our Treasurer's report that our only available means until next November is twenty-four dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$24.29).

For several years the city has appropriated money for the support and maintenance of this library. When the warrant for the usual appropriation was drawn and submitted to the Mayor, he referred it to the City Attorney, who, after examination of the law gave his opinion that there was no authority whereby the city could legally appropriate this money. Towns and cities have the right to appropriate money to establish and maintain public libraries under conditions set forth in the law. Until an enabling act is passed by the legislature, the city cannot legally appropriate money for its support. It has been suggested that the legislature, at its next session, may pass an act making it legal for the city to appropriate money for the support of the Free Library.

In 1886 there was an act passed by the legislature, incorporating the "Rutland Soldiers' Memorial Hall Library Association," for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a library and museum. The city, by the terms of that act, may appropriate money for that library and museum, but the Rutland Free Library has no right to consolidate with that library. The City Council, after the veto of the appropriation for the Free Library, proposed to appropriate \$1,500 for the Rutland Soldiers' Memorial Hall Library Association. This appropriation was not accepted by that Association. It was not offered to, nor available for the Rutland Free Library. We confidently hope and expect the clouds will be lifted and the crooked paths made straight.

Would that every man and woman in the city and town of Rutland could fully realize the influence and power for good this library has, and what it is doing for the higher education of the people.

It is with sadness that we miss the presence of three faithful members of this Association, Mrs. H. C. Tuttle, Miss Pierpoint and Mrs. A. C. Bates, who have "passed through the gates of the death-birth into the light of the life beyond."

Respectfully submitted,

MINA M. PATRICK, Vice-President,  
Rutland Free Library Association.

